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Tory conference hears string of policy initiatives

Tebbit spells out issues for next election

By Robin Oakley and Philip Webster

Ministers yesterday set out a string of new policy initiatives at the Conservative Party conference in Bournemouth to support Mr Norman Tebbit's claim that the Tories were the only credible party of government.

Aiming to demonstrate that the party had the energy and drive for another five years in office, ministers announced:

- An accelerated programme of privatization, including the water authorities, to bring in £14 billion over the next three years.
- A new deal for the private rented sector to bring 600,000 more homes onto the market and to turn building societies and housing associations into large scale landlords.
- New controls over sex education in schools and the establishment of 20 technology colleges in inner cities, funded directly by the Government, the first major departure from the comprehensive system.
- Legislation to force councils to open up more services for tender by private companies.

A new confidence was evident in the mood of the Tory representatives and in Mr Tebbit's chairman's address in which he made clear the battleground for the next general election.

The plan is to present the Tory party as the only one offering sound defence, lower taxation, increased individual choice and a continued attack on inflation until it reaches zero.

The Tories are now dismissing the Alliance as a spent force and feel more comfortable attacking the old Labour enemy. Mr Tebbit, who reaffirmed his status as a conference hero yesterday alongside the new Tory idol, Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education, derided socialism as a creed based on high taxation, nationalization, controls and the elimination of choice.

He mocked the Alliance's disarray on defence, inquiring if Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, in laying down his conditions for coalition government, would be demanding his party's defence policy, his own or Dr David Owen's.

He said that Mr Kinnock had made a "fatal misjudgement" in tying Labour to unilateralism and said that Labour's conference vote to stay in Nato had been obtained only by promises of policies calculated to break up Nato.

The Tory chairman turned round Mr Kinnock's attempt to claim the "moral majority" for Labour, inquiring what kind of morality it was to undermine the alliance that had kept Europe safe, to restore the tyranny of the closed shop and rent a mob picketing, to let inflation loose to debauch the currency and to "talk about the fight against crime and to put the handcuffs on the police and not the criminals".

The new stimulus to privatization came from Mr Norman Lamont, Financial Secretary to the Treasury. Mr Lamont announced fresh sales targets to achieve what he called the dream of a capital-owning democracy and raise more money for tax cuts.

Mr Lamont disclosed that the Government intends in this and each of the next two years to sell businesses worth £4.75 billion. To achieve it the sale of the 10 water authorities in England and Wales, post-

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Mrs Thatcher was treated for a slight ankle sprain yesterday, after stumbling on a manhole cover on her way to the Bournemouth conference centre.

The Prime Minister was waving to crowds as she walked to the centre, after addressing the Conservative Medical Society, when she caught a heel in the cover and fell to the ground.

An aide said the swollen ankle would not affect Mrs Thatcher's engagements.

Tomorrow



Behind the visor . . .

Nigel Mansell could on Sunday become Britain's first Formula One world champion since James Hunt in 1976. Hunt, still on motor racing's inside track, profiles Mansell and provides frank insights into the man and his craft

Portfolio Gold

- The £4,000 prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was shared yesterday by two readers — Mr R.P.G.Burton-West, of London NW11, and Mrs A.C.Thomas, of Cambridge. Details, page 3.
- There is another £4,000 to be won today. Portfolio list, page 27; rules and how to play, information service, page 20.

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Delay in City

Yet another delay has hit the new legal framework for regulating the City and protecting investors. It is not likely to take effect before 1988 Page 21

Merger near

Wedgwood, the fine china group, is poised to accept a merger with Waterford Glass after talks apparently resolved a number of problems Page 21

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Five-year ban

David Moorhead, the National Hunt trainer, has been suspended for five years by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee for altering the passports of two horses Page 38

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Baker unveils his school revolution

By Nicholas Wood and Mark Dowd

A governors' veto over sex education and a new £100 million pilot network of government-funded technology schools in the big cities was unveiled yesterday by Mr Kenneth Baker as the first phase in a revolutionary drive to free schooling from local authority control.

The Secretary of State for Education and Science was given a standing ovation at the Conservative conference in Bournemouth after he set out his vision of a school system dominated and run by heads and parents, not council officials.

He said he would respond to public concern about the content and spirit of sex education by making it the sole province of governing bodies. Amendments to this effect will be tabled when the Education Bill returns to the Commons.

"The governing body will decide what, if any, sort of sex education the school should offer, and whether the school should allow particular parents to withdraw their children from particular sex education lessons," he said in a move aimed at heading off a backbench demand for an absolute right of withdrawal.

The first of the 20 new "city technology colleges" will open in September, 1988. They will be run by independent trusts, cater for between 750 and 1000 pupils aged 11 to 18 and will be financed by a mixture of Government grants andprivate sponsorship.

More details will be announced next Tuesday, but London, Manchester, Liverpool, Birmingham, Southampton and Leicester are understood to be among the chosen locations.

In a key passage of his speech replying to a debate in which representatives denounced left-wing Town Hall control of classrooms, Mr Baker, the putative wet not afraid to steal some of the right's pet tunes, said:

"Education can no longer be led by the producers — by the academic theorists, the administrators and even the teachers' unions. Education must be shaped by the users — by what is good for the individual child and what hopes are held by their parents."

He told representatives that the schools would have a core curriculum made up of technological, scientific and practical work, business studies and design.

They will be open to children of all abilities

In a seathing assault on the Labour Party, Mr Baker derided Mr Neil Kinnock's newfound "moral majority" as one encompassing the "whole gang of fads and fanatics" in London, Brent, Haringey and Ealing.

In the wake of controversies over a homosexual schoolbook, a headmaster suspended for allegedly striving for excellence and bizarre accusations of racism, he accused Labour councils of practising "bigotry masquerading as equality, and intolerance masquerading as freedom."

Spending boost for Lawson

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

The Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, received a boost yesterday in his fight to avoid a damaging rise in base rates. City analysts do not expect any increase this week.

Money supply figures released yesterday showed a sharp slowdown in credit. Bank lending rose by just £0.9 billion last month, compared with a £2.5 billion average over the previous six months.

The sterling M3 money measure increased by 1.5-1.75 per cent last month. In the City, there had been fears of a rise of 3 per cent or more in the money supply.

The pound was also a beneficiary of a support operation for the dollar, led by the West German central bank The central banks of Switzerland, Austria, Denmark and other European countries also joined in buying dollars.

The operation, which helped stabilize the dollar at around two marks, also benefited the pound. The sterling index, having dropped to a new low of 67.8 yesterday morning, recovered to close at 68.1.

Rover threatens to end £100m deal

By Craig Seton

Austin Rover yesterday threatened to pull out of a deal worth £100 million a year with Lucas, its main component supplier, where an overtime ban has caused the state-owned car makers to lay off 2,500 workers and halt all production at its giant Birmingham plant for three days.

The tough warning was issued by Mr Les Wharton, Austin Rover's new managing director, who was appointed only two weeks ago in a shake-up designed to pull the company out of its loss-making depression.

With lost car production at Austin Rover's Longbridge plant in Birmingham running at £15 million because of the overtime ban, Mr Wharton said: "It is for Lucas to put its house in order.

"If the situation continues we will be reviewing our long term relationship with Lucas with a view to finding an alternative supplier."

Austin Rover fears that lay-offs at Longbridge could increase at the rate of up to 1,000 a day among its 10,000 workforce as long as the Lucas dispute continues. Production of the company's prestige flagship car, the Rover 800, went ahead at Cowley, Oxford, yesterday, after one day's lost production on Friday.

Mr Wharton's message was delivered as 600 workers at Lucas Electrical in Cannock, Staffordshire - where front and rear lights for Austin Rover cars are made - walked out as their dispute over a 10 per cent pay claim escalated.

An overtime ban by 5,500 Lucas Electrical workers in the Midlands, including drivers delivering components, has halted production of Minis, Metros and Rover 200s at Austin Rover's Longbridge plant since Friday because no front and rear light units were being supplied.

Mr Wharton, who was appointed by Mr Graham Day, the Rover Group's tough new chairman, said that the lay-offs were a direct result of the Lucas overtime ban. He described as "total and utter nonsense" a suggestion by a Lucas union leader that Austin Rover was not concerned about the lay-offs because the state-owned company had an over-capacity in car production.

He said: "It is simply a mischievous attempt to divert attention away from the source of the problem.

"We need to keep producing cars to replace showroom stocks."

Austin Rover's business with Lucas is worth about £100 million a year, but the car manufacturer, unlike Ford, which also takes Lucas parts, has no immediate source of alternative supply.

Edmonds summoned to Lords over TV remarks

By John Goodbody

Phil Edmonds, the Middlesex and England Test cricketer, has been summoned to Lord's today, only 36 hours before the team leaves for the Australia tour, to explain remarks that he made on BBC Television's *Wogan Show*.

The Test and County Cricket Board yesterday said they thought the remarks were "in very bad taste", and ordered him to appear before the secretary, Mr Donald Carr.

Phil Edmonds was interviewed on Monday with his wife Frances by the guest presenter, David Frost.

The pair made several jocular comments about the TCCB's ruling about players not giving interviews to the press, and also about the rule forbidding players' wives to go to Australia for the first six weeks of the tour.

Edmonds said last night: "I do not think that any of my remarks on the programme could be construed as being in bad taste. It was all highly enjoyable."

Court shields El Al man's identity

Unusual security measures were taken at the Central Criminal Court yesterday to protect the identity of an El Al official giving evidence on how he discovered a bomb allegedly destined for a flight to Tel Aviv (Stewart Tendler writes).

On the second day of the trial of Nezar Hindawi, accused of trying to place a bomb on a Boeing 747 using the luggage of his unsuspecting pregnant girlfriend, a screen was erected in court No 1 so that the first of a series of airline staff could not be seen by the public gallery, Press or unauthorized officials.

The use of screens is very rare in court proceedings but has been used at the Central Criminal Court in the past to protect the identity of witnesses such as important police informers.

Yesterday a 29-year-old official described as "Mr A" told the court a bag carried by Miss Ann Murphy, Mr Hindawi's girlfriend, to the El Al check point last April was emptied but still seemed to be heavy.

Girlfriend's outburst, page 3

Limelight welcomed by Iceland's modern woman



From Brian James
Reykjavik

The former Iceland air hostess who will be sharing just about every television screen in the world this weekend with Mrs Raisa Gorbachov had only one small doubt in her mind: "How well is her English? I do not wish to do all the speaking."

Ms Edda Gudmandsdottir, the wife of Iceland's Prime Minister, Mr Steingrimur Hermannsson, is to be hostess to the wife of the Soviet leader during the two-day summit meeting. Neither Soviet nor American authorities disguise the fact that Ms Gudmandsdottir's main task is keeping Mrs Gorbachov out from under their feet.

"We will have interpreters of course — to say perhaps complicated things to each other," Ms Gudmandsdottir said. "But I think Raisa is not a typical Russian. She is the modern woman, as I am. It will be better if we can speak directly to each other."

Iceland's modern woman reacted icily to the snooty reaction of a US State Department spokesman deploring Mrs Gorbachov's presence in Reykjavik and insisting that this was no holiday for the two leaders but a meeting of very great seriousness that permitted no distractions.

"I have absolutely no comment at what the State Department think," she said. "But really, some men! All I can tell you is that my own husband is very anxious for me to attend all his foreign visits. I do not become involved in his business. He does not discuss with me what he is doing.

"But he finds it easier to relax when in the evenings he can talk to me about my own programme. I think it might be the same for Mr Gorbachov. I am sad that Nancy Reagan also will not come."

Ms Gudmansdottir confirmed that the Soviet Ambassador had seemed surprised about Mrs Gorbachov's visit. He asked her to suggest a programme.

She gestured at the huge picture window of her superb home on the shores of an inlet. "I would like her to come and dine with me here. The water, as you see, is just 25 metres away. It is very beautiful, very peaceful. But also very open, and maybe the security will not permit."

The list of items radioed to Moscow on Monday for approval includes a local performance of *Aida*; a visit to the wild and beautiful lake called Thingbellir; the original Iceland sagas; the hot water geysers and springs; and

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Libyan airline seeks crews to beat embargo

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Libyan Arab Airlines, which is soon to be banned from Britain for alleged terrorist activities, is offering up to £40,000 a year tax free to British pilots and engineers to fly its two Airbus A310 jets.

The aircraft, now standing idle at Tripoli Airport, were bought from British Caledonian in a controversial £75 million agreement three months ago.

Advertisements for pilots, first officers and engineers to fly the aircraft appear in the latest issue of *Flight International* magazine. Applicants are invited to apply via a box number to Aviation Consultants Ltd, but enquiries in Britain and Europe have failed to find any company by that name. The two Airbuses were delivered to Tripoli in July after a complex international arrangement involving at least three "front" companies and world-wide legal battles by British Caledonian to prevent the sale.

But since their arrival, they have been sitting on the airport tarmac because Libya has no qualified pilots and engineers to fly them.

Mr John Mass, of Geneva, Switzerland, who contacted the British Airline Pilots Association to try to find unemployed A310 pilots, without saying who would employ them, admitted yesterday that the employer was Libyan Arab Airlines.

A Foreign Office spokesman said yesterday that anyone who took up the job offer would be warned that they could not be guaranteed normal consular protection. "Any Briton is free to work where he likes. But we have to tell them that since diplomatic relations were broken off we cannot guarantee the normal protection of our ambassadors or consular offices," he said.

About 3,000 British passport holders work in Libya. Britain's interests are looked after by two diplomats in the Italian embassy in Tripoli.

The advertisement in *Flight International* promises batchelor accommodation for an unspecified number of captains and first officers, as well as for an operations despatcher, two engine fitters, two EIR (electronic and avionics) fitters, five aircraft fitters and a line chief.

Airbus Industrie, of Toulouse, France, would normally train already qualified crew to operate the A310. But they put a bar on Libyan recruits after the United States imposed an embargo on the delivery of high technology equipment to Libya two years ago.

Libya has appealed to the International Civil Aviation Organisation to lobby the US to end its embargo, because of concern, "about the shortage of spare parts for aircraft and navigational aids to maintain international safety requirements". The Libyans claim that the ban is in direct contravention of international regulations governing air transport, and could put their aircraft and passengers at risk.

A spokesman for the International Federation of Airline Pilots said: "Clearly the ban is biting. It concerns us because it would seem that political considerations may be outweighing safety considerations. This is a parallel problem to the shortage of crews for the Airbus."

The Airbuses will be used to fly throughout Europe and the Middle East, after international standards on noise rule out the use of the airline's existing Boeing 707 and 727 fleet. Intelligence experts believe they could also be used as military transports.

British Caledonian claims that it sold the jets to an international broker, who broke a clause in the sale contract by selling them on to a number of other brokers and eventually to Libya.

Americans die in Nicaragua plane attack

By Our Foreign Staff

The Nicaraguan Army said yesterday that its troops shot down a military aircraft dropping supplies to the US-backed rebels in southern Nicaragua, killing three Americans and capturing a fourth.

It said the survivor of the incident said he was a United States military adviser.

However, Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, said yesterday that the large cargo plane, shot down over dense jungle near the Costa Rica border on Sunday, had been hired by American civilians.

Man cleared of pub attack plot

Mr Thomas Maguire, aged 27, a graduate of University College, Dublin, was cleared at the Central Criminal Court yesterday of plotting with Patrick Magee, the convicted Brighton bomber, to blow up a soldiers' public house near Blackpool.

He was alleged to have acted as "go-between" for a planned attack on the Eagle and Child Inn, near Weeton Army camp, Blackpool.

But Mr Maguire, a teacher, of Milbourne Street, Blackpool, said he was "in the dark" about the plot and that an IRA informer, Mr Raymond O'Connor, had lied.

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NEWS SUMMARY

EEC charter on civil judgements

Legal judgements against foreigners will be easier to enforce under an EEC convention which comes into force from January 1 next (Frances Gibb writes).

The convention provides for the "free movement of judgements" between the seven member states who have ratified it.

A United Kingdom citizen injured in England by a French motorist will be able to sue in the English courts, for example, and enforcement will take place as if it were a French judgement.

Generally, only judgements of the higher courts (High Court and above) can be enforced abroad. But under the convention judgements of all courts and tribunals will be mutually enforceable in civil and commercial matters.

Initially the convention will apply between the United Kingdom and Belgium; Denmark; France; Germany; Italy, Luxembourg and The Netherlands.

Ireland and Greece will follow, then Spain and Portugal.

JY show for MPs

The BBC has recruited politicians of all political colours to present the *Jimmy Young Programme* on Radio Two while Mr Young is on holiday.

Mr Jeffrey Archer MP, deputy chairman of the *Conservative Party*, will present the daily two-hour programme of music and interviews during the week of November 10. Mr David Penhaligon, Liberal MP for Truro, will take over the following week. He will be followed by Mr Ken Livingstone, former leader of the GLC and a Labour parliamentary candidate.

Firearms charge

Two men appeared before Bournemouth magistrates yesterday, charged under the Firearms Act, 1968, after being arrested on Monday outside the Highcliff Hotel.

Anthony Joseph Hasid, aged 21, a trainee manager at the hotel, from Cornbury Road, Edgware, and Simon John Manns, also 21, a chef there, were remanded on bail, until October 20.

Mr Roger Smith, for the prosecution, said that a second charge could not be made until the weapon was determined to be a section (1) or section (5) firearm.

Print unions decide

The two main print unions in the dispute with News International will decide today whether to accept the final £58 million compensation offer made by the company.

In spite of a sustained campaign for rejection waged by hard line militants, the result of the vote by Sogat '82, the largest union involved, is expected to be close.

The National Graphical Association will ballot later today when members formerly employed by News International are expected to reject what the company has said is its final offer.

News International said last week that it will not necessarily be bound by any result where it is suggested there have been defects in the voting process.

Peer case quashed



A charge against Lord Blandford of supplying cocaine was quashed at Knightsbridge Crown Court yesterday after a day and a half of legal argument.

Judge Henry Pownall, QC, made an order restricting reporting of the case.

He said: "There can be no report of any proceedings today other than the simple fact that Count 11 - the charge of supplying - has been quashed."

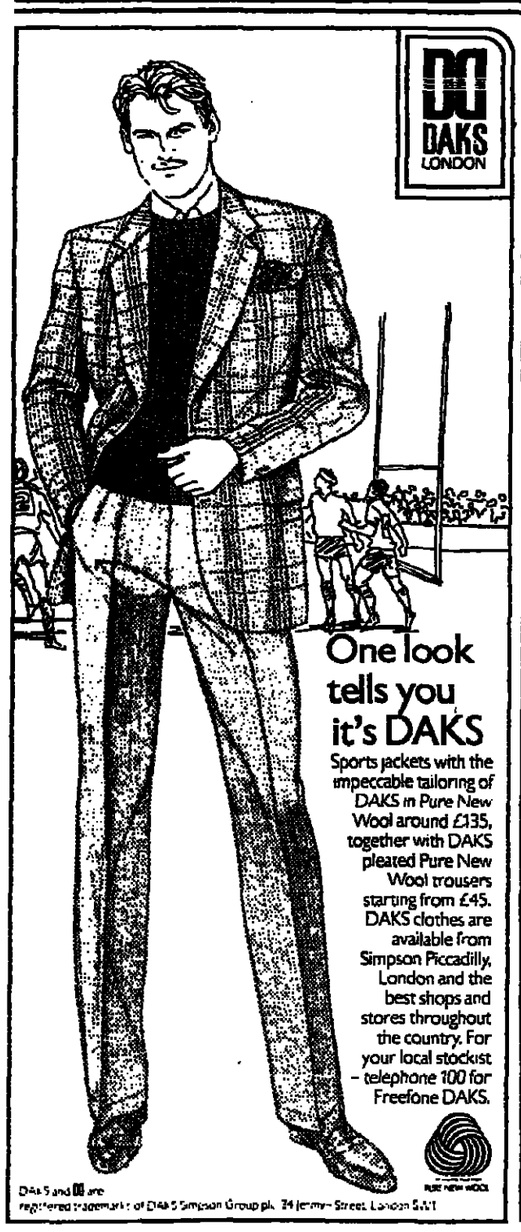
Lord Blandford, aged 30, was bailed to appear later on a number of charges of possessing cocaine.

Fish get a clean bill

Radiation levels in coastal and fresh water fish after the Chernobyl nuclear explosion give no cause for concern, a government report published yesterday states (John Young writes). But trout and other species will be monitored until a trend of decreasing concentrations is established, it says.

Senior Ministry of Agriculture officials indicated yesterday that radiation levels were far below those in fish caught near Sellafield in the late 1970s and early 1980s.

The collective dose from Chernobyl fallout in coastal waters was estimated to be about a third of that from UK nuclear installations' liquid effluent discharges. The figure for freshwater fish was more difficult to assess but too low to be of significance.



High Court rules on identity of magistrates

Anonymous JP 'no right in law'

By Frances Gibb
Legal Affairs Correspondent

Magistrates who keep their identities secret when hearing cases are acting unlawfully, the High Court ruled yesterday.

In a test case with wide implications for court reporting, Lord Justice Watkins, sitting with Mr Justice Russell and Mr Justice Mann, held *that magistrates have no right* in law to remain anonymous in court, and that their names must be given to lawyers and press reporters covering cases in their courts.

In a strongly-worded judgement, Lord Justice Watkins said that the policy was, "inimical to the proper administration of justice and an unlawful obstruction to the right to know who sits in judgement. There is, in my view, no such person as the anonymous JP."

The case was brought by *The Observer* newspaper and its chief reporter, Mr David Leigh, against the clerk of the *justices at Felixstowe, Suffolk*, one of a growing number of courts operating a policy of anonymity to protect magistrates from possible harassment.

Lord Justice Watkins said that the practice was growing, with at least 10 courts in England and Wales applying the policy. This anonymity of the person "in the seat of justice" could defeat the principle of open justice.

He said that no court had power to take any step to restrict the principle of open justice, except to "preserve the ends of justice". In his view, it could not be said that the ends of justice could in any respect be served by justices withholding their names from the general public.

Dr Douglas Acres, Magistrates' Association chairman, said that it had already adopted a resolution urging magistates not to conceal names unless there were substantial grounds for fearing *reprisals in cases such as* terrorism.

The ruling was also welcomed by the Guild of British Newspaper Editors, which financially supported the *legal* action.

The Felixstowe bench adopted its anonymity policy *in the 1970s* when a magistrate received two threatening telephone calls after a man suffered a heart attack during sentencing in court.

The Observer challenged the policy after a case at Felixstowe last year *in which* there was confusion among newspapers about an order banning identification of a child aged 12 months involved in indecency with 12 adults in a bath.

The magistrate hearing the case refused to be identified, *and the justices' clerk would* not release his name.

The clerk to the Felixstowe justices, Mrs Stephanie Thew, said that the court's judgement would be followed. "I am sure the magistrates will feel as I do, that it is very valuable to have the guidance given in this case," she said.

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Unions launch Ulster battle against bigotry

By Richard Ford

A campaign against sectarianism and bigotry was launched by Northern Ireland's trade union movement yesterday after months of intimidation on housing estates and building sites and in offices and factories.

The tit-for-tat retaliatory threats by "loyalist" and republican paramilitaries have caused the loss of thousands of jobs in the construction industry and affected social services in the west and north of Belfast.

With intimidation in the *workplace at its highest level* since the worst years of the troubles, companies have taken extra precautions to ensure the safety of their staff.

At least one businessman has made arrangements to transport worried workers to and from their home if they feel under threat and others have been holding daily meetings to reassure employees.

Leaflets and posters, including some with the words "Intimidation is industrial suicide", will be distributed throughout the province in 10 days' time as part of a campaign organized by the Northern Ireland committee of the Irish Congress of Trade Unions.

Under the title "Stand together for peace, work and prosperity", *leaflets will also* be sent to companies which will be urged to put them on noticeboards.

Community groups, employers and church leaders are being invited to attend a conference on intimidation at the end of the month.

Mr Al Mackie, chairman of the Northern Ireland committee, said everyone was concerned at the sharp increase in sectarianism and he urged workers and trade unionists to unite against intimidation and reject people threatening or excusing violence.

The trade unions in the *North have a particularly* difficult job, given the sectarian nature of politics, and have preferred to keep a low profile, but the recent upsurge has forced a change of tactics.

As political unrest over the Anglo-Irish agreement has caused heightened tension in the province, extremists on *both sides of the sectarian* divide have fed off each other, with intimidation, threats and attacks against those from the opposite tradition.

The Provisional IRA has killed six people – one in a case of mistaken identity – since launching a campaign of attacking people supplying material to the security forces.

Other suppliers have withdrawn from contracts, vaying from rebuilding RUC bases to *supplying milk and bread to* policemen, after a Provisional warning that they would be considered legitimate targets and risked being killed.

Loyalist paramilitaries have threatened Roman Catholic workers employed in predominantly Unionist areas and shot dead one Roman Catholic building worker and plotted to kill others.



Thomas Maguire with a friend after being cleared by the Central Criminal Court of plotting explosions for the IRA in Blackpool (Photograph: Julian Herbert).

French air test for Nimrod

By Peter Davenport
Defence Correspondent

Britain's Nimrod airborne early warning aircraft will make a special test flight soon with senior French air force officers on board. It will be *part of the joint evaluation* programme by the two governments to decide which system to buy.

According to *Jane's Defence Weekly* yesterday, it is two years since the French tested the Nimrod and it will be their first flight in the DB2 model, which carries the latest equipment, a radical improvement on the system they had previously rejected.

The flight is a critical part of the joint evaluation process agreed by the French and British governments to reach a common solution.

Final offers from Boeing and GEC have to be presented by November 6, with the decision on the successful bid expected before the year's end.

Boeing, which has a team of officials in London finalizing *its offer, was given a boost* yesterday by the head of the French air force, General Bernard Capillon. He said the company's Awacs E-3A is the *only aircraft suited to French* needs.

Although the French Government is formally committed to looking at both options some reports from Paris have indicated that the Boeing aircraft, which is already operational, is the favourite, despite the fact that it will be much more expensive.

Officials of GEC, however, say that it is unlikely the French will make a firm decision *before knowing how* the defence ministry intends to react, in the hope of securing more favourable financial terms with a possible joint order.

But *Jane's*, quoting French Air Force sources, said that any joint approach was likely to be limited to seeking a package deal with Britain on an Awacs order only.

One problem for the French, who want three aircraft, is the availability of airframes should they opt for GEC: the RAF could take less than the 11 Nimrods available to carry the system or it could be fitted to a different airframe, possibly the Lockheed C-130.

Shires in attack on poll tax

By Hugh Clayton

Leaders of the all-party Association of County Councillors were advised yesterday to reject government plans to replace rates with a poll tax. Their "think tank" suggested *that they should back a system* similar to local income tax, which is opposed by ministers.

The association, representing some of the largest rate-*levying authorities*, became politically hung after the heavy Conservative defeats in the 1985 elections.

Officers have told the policy committee, which meets this month, that "there must be an element of compromise in the interests of unity." This shows that ministers are far *from winning* support for their complicated rates reform.

The Government wants to replace rates with a mixture of a poll tax or "community charge" and a uniform business rate. The aim is to forge a closer link between those who pay for services and those who vote for the councillors who fix rates.

The association was advised to reject the uniform business rate because it would take decision-making out of local hands and be open to "central manipulation" and instead support a "banded residents' tax" fixed according to income.

2,270 denied vote in CPSA ballot

By Tim Jones

The Civil and Public Services Association is to re-run a ballot for the post of general secretary after the disclosure that 2,270 members were denied voting rights in the election which was won by Mr John Macreadie, a supporter of Militant Tendency.

Since his victory earlier this year, the union, which represents 145,537 lower grade Civil Servants, has been torn apart by accusations of ballot rigging and counter-claims of manipulation by "right wing cliques".

The number of disenfranchised members is critical because Mr Macreadie, who has been prevented from taking up his position, defeated his moderate rival, Mr John Ellis, by only 121 votes

The union was told yesterday that during its investigations into alleged irregularities, the independent Electoral Reform Society had received an unusually large number of complaints within the 28-day period laid down by the balloting recommendations.

In its report to the union, the society said it found no evidence of ballot rigging but did discover widespread irregularities.

In particular, it said, 21 branches, with a membership of 2,270, did not have an opportunity to vote.

The report, submitted to the union's president, Mrs Marion Chambers, by chart ered accountants Hard Dowdy, who act as returning officers, states: "In our view, it is unsatisfactory for the senior officers of CPSA to be elected against this background and the matter should be decided by the membership."

The union's national executive committee, which is dominated by the right, will meet later this week and formulate plans for the election to be re-run.

Mr Macreadie maintains he is still general secretary, but Mr Ellis, who is currently deputy general secretary, describes himself as the "cheated candidate" and has forecast he will win a "properly conducted election".

Miners threaten strike over Kent pit closure

By a Staff Reporter

Miners last night threatened to take industrial action after an announcement by British Coal that it plans to close Tilmanstone colliery in Kent.

The proposal will mean the loss of 475 jobs at the pit which *12 months ago won the* promise of a reprieve if it could increase output. Production reached a promising 5,000 tonnes a week last February but has now slumped to under 1,000.

According to British Coal, losses at the pit amount to £1.56 million for the first six months of this year, or more than £150 for each tonne extracted.

British Coal engineers have said the closure is inevitable because of acute mining difficulties, including unpredictable roof falls.

The closure will leave Kent, already a mining anachronism because of its position, with only two pits remaining: Betteshanger and Snowdown.

During the miners' strike, the Kent coalfield was among the most militant in support of Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of Mineworkers. The closure of Tilmanstone will reduce the coalfield's manpower to below 1,000, compared with 2,400 before the dispute began.

All of the 475 miners will be offered alternative employment.

Last week, British Coal anounced the investment of more than £2 million in new pithead equipment at Betteshanger.

Patients exposed to Aids virus

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

Supplies of blood products to haemophiliacs from Armour Pharmaceuticals, of Eastbourne, East Sussex, were withdrawn yesterday after routine tests showed two patients had been exposed to the Aids virus.

The firm, which provides a preparation from the United States that contains the blood clotting agent Factor VIII, has surrendered its licence to sell the product to the Department of Health.

The DHSS said doubts were raised about the efficiency of the company's heat treatment process that forms the second line of defence for guarding against the transfer of the Aids virus in donated blood samples.

The first line of protection is the testing of blood donors for infection. Because of the long incubation time now known to occur in some people, heat treatment is intended to kill any dormant virus.

Imports are continuing of about half the clotting agents needed in Britain, until expansion of heat treatment equipment is complete at the main processing centre, the Blood Products Laboratory at Elstree, Hertfordshire.

One of the most promising drugs so far developed to combat Aids (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) will be used in Britain from next week. But there is enough to treat only 12 people.

Not all patients are suitable for treatment with the drug – AZT – but doctors at St Mary's and the Middlesex hospitals, in London, have the difficult task of choosing the dozen who will benefit from more than 200 with the symptoms.

The drug has dramatically cut death rates among some Aids patients in the US. Only one of 145 given the drug died, compared with 16 deaths among 137 patients who were given innocuous pills.

Doctors emphasize that AZT is "not a cure". But it does stop the Aids virus multiplying.

World chess

Kasparov near to all-time greatness

From Raymond Keene
Leningrad

Gary Kasparov retained his world chess title in Leningrad *on Monday with an easy draw* against Anatoly Karpov, the challenger, in the twenty-third game.

His brilliance now puts him in reach of the mercurial American genius, Bobby Fischer, as the greatest champion of all.

By drawing the game Kasparov reached 12 points, which guaranteed retention of his title. Nevertheless, the final game will still be played *today, as Karpov has* a theoretical chance of tying the match if he wins.

In the climactic game an oblique approach by Karpov *tried to throw* the young champion off balance in a morass of obscure middlegame manoeuvres.

But Kasparov, playing Black, struck out with an amazingly original Rook tour from moves 14 to 20.

That involved marching the Black's Queen Rook into the centre of the board, swinging it aggressively towards the White King and then just as rapidly withdrawing the Rook to its original square.

***On the 24th move*, Kasparov lashed out with a pawn thrust, which temporarily sacrificed a pawn. However, on the 32nd move, Karpov, after much anguished thought, conceded that he could not hold the pawn. After playing he offered a draw which Kasparov gladly accepted.**

During the past three years the two have contested three bitter matches involving 95 games. Kasparov has won 13 games and Karpov 12, with 70 drawn games.

The games he won (4, 8, 14, 16, 22) he well and truly won, while one cannot avoid the suspicion that Karpov's four wins (5, 17, 18, 19) were due more to Kasparov's over-exhuberance and errors than Karpov's own brilliance.

The level of combat was much superior to the classic Fischer-Spassky clash in Reykjavik.

Kasparov, the outspoken and brash 23-year-old from Baku, plans to launch a world-wide tour to popularize chess.

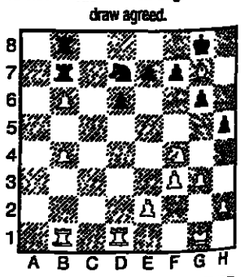
Meanwhile Karpov must struggle to qualify for a fresh *match next year. Early next* year he faces another 23-year-old Soviet player, Andrei Sokolov, in Linares, Spain. In the background lurks Britain's Nigel Short, aged 21, the most likely western challenger.

The moves:

Karpov: White

1	Nf3	Nf6	17	Bxb7	Qxb7
2	c4	b6	18	f3	h5
3	g3	c5	19	Ng2	Rc5
4	Bg2	Bb7	20	Bb2	Rca8
5	O-O	g6	21	Ba3	Nc5
6	d4	cxd4	22	Rb1	Ne6
7	Qxd4	Bg7	23	Qd3	Nc7
8	Nc3	d6	24	Nf4	b5
9	Rd1	Nbd7	25	cxb5	axb5
10	b3	Rc8	26	Nxb5	Nxb5
11	Bb2	O-O	27	Qxb5	Qxb5
12	Qe3	Re8	28	axb5	Rb8
13	Rac1	a6	29	Bb2	Rb7
14	Ba1	Rc5	30	b6	Rxb6
15	a4	Qa8	31	b4	Nd7
16	Ne1	Rf5	32	Bxg7	

draw agreed.



Workmen cut phone lines to City banks

Telephone lines to banks and companies in the City of London were severed yesterday when workmen cut a cable (Mark Ellis writes).

British Telecom engineers were working overnight to reconnect some of the 3,200 lines, but because of the size of the cable many financiers and stockbrokers, who conduct most of their business by telephone, will remain cut off today.

The financial impact of the breakdown, caused by builders drilling through a cable on a site at the junction of Manfell Street and Shorter Street, near Tower Hill, was considered disastrous for some businesses.

British Telecom said last night: "We appreciate this is a significant cable servicing several hundred major customers whose business depend on telephones. We are doing everything to reconnect lines as quickly as possible."

Last night BT engineers were considering bypassing the severed cable with a new one.

EEC Bill cuts role of Queen, says Denning

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, gave a warning yesterday that the Queen's sovereignty would be severely weakened if peers approve an obscure and little-debated three-page Bill today.

The European Communities (Amendment) Bill, he argued, radically changes the constitution and is a step towards a federation of Europe.

The Bill, the result of an agreement to speed up EEC decision-making, has been passing quietly through Parliament this summer. A guillotine kept debate to a minimum and 55 amendments were never discussed.

But it faces opposition today in its Lords committee stage from the Labour, Conservative and crossbenches who took the unusual step of calling a press conference yesterday.

Lord Denning said that his main concern was its effect on the constitution. The Bill would mean Britain could block decisions of the European Council of Ministers only on rare occasions.

"I do not want to see the sovereignty of the Queen and Parliament diminished. I fear the preamble is such, and in such wide terms, that in time it may lead to the federation of Europe.

"I do not say that is wrong, that it ought not to take place. But that it should have very much fuller consideration."

If the amendments of Lord Denning and supporters go through, they will enshrine in law the Luxembourg veto.

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Top universities in the business of research

Industry is now providing greater cash support for many British universities which have had to go looking for funds since the Government cuts of five years ago.

The technological universities have benefited most. Salford is at the top of the list with 11.9 per cent industrial support followed by Heriot-Watt University near Edinburgh, (8.7 per cent) and Loughborough (8.2 per cent). Only the top quarter of universities break through five per cent.

Salford's position is the result of a five-year drive by its Vice-Chancellor, Mr John Ashwood. He called together his staff in the wake of the 44 per cent cuts imposed in 1981 and told them to get out and cultivate industrial contacts and contracts.

Salford University Business Services Ltd is now the largest company of its kind in Britain and has 50 full-time consultants and full access to the university staff.

Heriot-Watt University near Edinburgh, has achieved second place by more sustained progress. The university's principle, Dr Tom Johnston, said their success was due to "the close association that the university has always maintained with industry and the professional way we promote our expertise".

Britoil currently has more than £500,000 in contracts with the university, and many companies now prefer to let university experts carry out some of their research rather than do it themselves.

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Woman in outburst at former lover in 'human bomb' trial

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

An Irishwoman yesterday screamed her hatred across the Central Criminal Court at the Jordanian accused of attempting to send her to her death, five months pregnant, as a human bomb on an El Al flight.

Sitting in the witness box of court number one, Miss Ann Murphy lent towards her former lover Nezar Hindawi as he sat next to a translator in the dock and shouted "You bastard you".

She said to Mr Justice Mars-Jones: "Excuse me sir" and then shouted at the defendant: "How could you do this to me?"

Distressed and in tears, Miss Murphy, who was under cross examination by counsel for Mr Hindawi, placed her head in her hands. The court was silent.

She could be heard muttering "Oh Christ, Oh God ... I could kill him". Then she looked up at the Jordanian, who has pleaded not guilty to attempting to place a bomb on a Boeing 747 last April and screamed "I hate you. I hate you."

Mr Hindawi, aged 32, sat without expression throughout the outburst. As Miss Murphy – described at the start of the case as a "single, simple Irish girl" – fell silent, Mr Justice Mars-Jones told her: "I can understand you being upset but would you please listen to the questions and you will be released from the witness box as soon as possible".

Miss Murphy collapsed after having spent more than three hours in the witness box.

At the start of the trial the court was told Mr Hindawi had allegedly placed a time bomb in a bag he gave to the girl after telling her they were going to Israel on holiday before getting married.

At one stage yesterday an explosives expert said the bomb would have destroyed the aircraft and everyone on board. The charge was the equivalent of 30 hand grenades exploding instantly in one place.

The bomb was found by El Al staff at Heathrow Airport. Yesterday the first of them, identified only as Mr A, gave evidence from behind a screen in a very rare security measure used to protect his identity.

Miss Murphy had become distressed as she described to Mr Gilbert Gray, QC, for Mr Hindawi, being held by the police after El Al staff found the bomb.

Armed police confronted her and she said: "I was very upset. The policemen were quite firm. They took me to a room and they showed me this thing, black thing, on the table. A sheet of something."

She told Mr Gray she was taken to a police station and began to cry and it was then that she turned on Mr Hindawi in her outburst.

"She could be heard muttering "Oh Christ, Oh God ... I could kill him"

After recovering, she began to cry again when she agreed she had been finger printed.

Later in the day special security arrangements were introduced for the first of the series of El Al witnesses. The judge told the jury the witness did not want to be seen other than by the judge, jury, counsel and defendant.

Mr A gave evidence from behind the screen at the edge of the court in line with the vision of the judge and jury. He could also be seen by counsel and Mr Hindawi sitting at the edge of the dock.

The press bench was cleared and the man was invisible to the public gallery.

Aged 29, he wrote down his name for the judge before describing how he discovered the bomb after Miss Murphy arrived at the El Al checkpoint in terminal one at Heathrow Airport last April for flight 016 to Tel Aviv.

After Miss Murphy answered a series of questions, the official said, her bag was put through an X-ray machine but nothing showed up. Then he began to search the bag with his hands.

He told the court: "It was quite heavy for an empty bag. I tried to pull out the bottom of the bag and I discovered a sort of double bottom." He detected something plastic with sellotape covering it.

He took the bag to a staff room and took the whole bottom out to see what was there.

He found a plastic bag and saw "soft stuff" inside. He scratched the bag with his finger and thought it was something very oily in a colour like yellow. He decided it was some sort of explosive, closed the door and went in search of the police.

During the day, Mr Allen Feraday, a scientist with the Royal Armament Research and Development Establishment, said the explosive in the bomb was "very, very powerful, rather like plasticine in nature". It was manufactured in Czechoslovakia. The explosive was triggered by a timer and detonator hidden in a Commodore scientific calculator. A battery inserted into the calculator started the timing mechanism running while at the same time allowing the calculator to be used quite normally.

The case continues tomorrow.



Princess Anne, president of Save the Children Fund, receiving a bouquet on a visit to the Hopscotch Asian Women's Centre in north-west London yesterday

Deaths by cervical cancer 'to rise 70%'

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

The number of women in England and Wales who die from cervical cancer is expected to rise by up to 70 per cent over the next 10 years, according to a report published yesterday.

Cervical cancer is now responsible for 2,000 deaths a year in England and Wales – yet the report says it is easily detectable and the most preventable cancer.

The evidence of a growing "epidemic" is outlined in a study from the British Medical Association on cervical cancer and screening which calls for smear tests every three years. They would begin at the start of sexual activity, or 20 years of age, to 65.

The findings of a study into the effectiveness of the present screening programme were outlined by Dr John Dawson, of the BMA, and Mr Peter Hendy-Ibbs, a consultant gynaecologist.

Their report says that cervical cancer can easily be treated if it is found early enough. There is normally a prolonged phase before malignancy. But the death rate from the condition in the 25-35 age group has almost doubled in 10 years.

In addition to calling for the five-year interval between screenings, recommended by the Department of Health and Social Security four years ago, to be reduced to three years, the BMA proposes to encourage more women to use screening services.

More than 80 per cent of the women who die from cervical cancer had not been screened.

Dr Dawson said that in Britain the national screening rate was unknown because the DHSS did not collect the appropriate information for that fundamental audit. Moreover, the Government no longer collected information on the age breakdown of patients giving smears.

The report says that treatment while tumours were still small results in virtually 100 per cent effectiveness, while treatment of cervical cancer itself had only a 50 per cent cure rate.

One reason for failure of the DHSS programme was the "disarray" of the scheme for computerizing call and recall notices. Another was the lack of capacity of many screening laboratories.

Portfolio Gold — Winner plans to buy flat

Two readers share yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000.

Mrs Annelise Thomas, aged 62, from Cambridge, has played the Portfolio Gold game regularly since it started in *The Times*.

"I am absolutely speechless. I have never won anything in my life," she said.

Mrs Thomas said she would save some of the prize money.

"But I'll propably use most of it towards a deposit for a new flat", she said.

The other winner is Mr R. P. G. Burton-West, from north London.

Readers who wish to play the game can obtain a Portfolio Gold card by sending a stamped addressed envelope to:

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Boy George brother on new charge

Kevin O'Dowd, the brother of Boy George, the pop singer, was yesterday cleared at Marylebone court in London of conspiring to supply heroin to his brother, leader of the group Culture Club.

But Mr O'Dowd, aged 26, of Well Road, Hampstead, was committed for trial at Knightsbridge Crown Court on a new charge of being concerned in the supplying of heroin to his brother.

Also discharged on the conspiracy charge but committed on unconditional bail on the new charge was Miss Anna Tinmaung, of Alwyne Road, Islington, north London.

Steven Luben, aged 35, a builder, of Westbourne Terrace, Paddington, and Miss Diane Feiner, aged 34, of the same address, were sent for trial accused of plotting to supply heroin to Boy George and others.

Mr Luben was remanded in custody and Miss Feiner was granted £10,000 bail.

Guard's warning at train crash

By Ian Smith

Red lights were flashing and traffic alarms were sounding at a level crossing at Lockington, Humberside, seconds after a passenger train ploughed into a van and was derailed, killing nine people, an inquiry was told yesterday.

The inquiry, at Beverley, Humberside, was told that the train guard, Mr Peter Sturdy, prevented many more deaths by running along the track after the accident to warn trains travelling in the opposite direction.

A Hull to Bridlington train, carrying hundreds of people, was halted just 200 yards from where one of the derailed carriages straddled the line, the inquiry was told.

Mr Sturdy told the inquiry that he had run along the line "because it was a busy time of the morning and I knew other trains were due".

"Then I saw another train approaching and was waving my arms at it. As it went past me I heard the brakes being applied and it came to a halt near the derailment", he said.

The inquiry was told that the driver of the Bridlington to Hull train, Mr Harry Brown, aged 61, had described how he suddenly saw a small van on the crossing 250 yards aheads.

He had said that he applied the brakes. But the train, with 300 passengers on board, crashed into the van, driven by Mr Malcolm Ashley, a local cattle breeder. Among the victims was his foster son, Wayne Meinke, aged 11, who was a passenger in the van.

The owner/operator of a goods delivery service and a Post Office employee, who were both approaching the crossing, heard the crash and saw the red lights flashing as they rushed to the scene.

Evidence was also given that warning light malfunctions in the Lockington area were reported to British Rail four times in five months.

The inquiry, chaired by Major Anthony King, of the Department of Transport's Railways Inspectorate, is expected to end today.

Woolworth may open its stores on Sundays

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

The Woolworth chain of 816 stores is considering a series of Sunday openings on the three weekends before Christmas.

The company said yesterday that it had no intention of flouting the law, and would open only where there was local authority approval.

In England and Wales, local authorities have discretion to allow Sunday opening in tourist areas, Woolworth said. Such areas now extend well beyond traditional coastal resorts and large cities. Bradford in West Yorkshire is one of a dozen, largely industrial centres which have been successfully promoting themselves as tourist destinations.

The move is certain to intensify the controversy over Sunday trading in which some councils have already pressed Sir Michael Havers, the Attorney General, for High Court actions to be taken against store chains which open on Sundays.

Bamber murder trial

Son 'boasted he could kill'

By Michael Horsnell

Jeremy Bamber boasted that he could "easily" kill his parents only five months before the massacre of his family, a court was told yesterday.

The farmer's son allegedly made his remark in March last year at a meeting of directors of the family caravan business.

It had been called to discuss intruders at the Osea Bay caravan site near Maldon, Essex.

Mr Robert Boutflour, Mr Bamber's uncle, told the jury on the fourth day of the murder trial that he had been talking to family members about tackling the problem.

He told them: "We could go armed and fire and if we were to fire did we wish to wound or kill? If we wounded we would be setting ourselves up as a target for the rest of our lives. If we wished to kill we would be committing a crime which our conscience would not permit us to live with."

It was at this point that Jeremy Bamber, aged 27, who has denied murdering his adoptive parents, step-sister and her twin sons, intervened.

According to Mr Boutflour, Jeremy Bamber said: "Oh no, Uncle Bobby. I could easily kill my parents."

Mr Boutflour added: "The important thing is that he said he could 'easily' kill his parents. I was deeply shocked and said 'don't be so stupid boy' before I walked away."

Jeremy Bamber's cousin, Mrs Anne Eaton, earlier told the jury at Chelmsford Crown Court that Jeremy never agreed with shooting because he thought it cruel but one day last summer he told her he wanted to buy a gun and suggested a five-shot automatic 12-bore shotgun.

Mrs Eaton, whose husband Peter sells guns, asked Mr Bamber why he suddenly wanted one and he allegedly replied: "I rather fancy myself as a country squire and I want to get into shooting."

Mrs Eaton recounted the discovery of the bloodied gun silencer belonging to the murder weapon, a .22 semi-automatic Anschtuz rifle, by her brother David Boutflour at the farm and its removal to her house near by.

She said: "David was examining it and exclaimed 'look at this'. I saw something red, jam-like on the end, blood I suppose. He said 'don't touch it'. We contacted police that night."

The silencer, which had been missed by the police during their search of the farmhouse and was discovered only three days after the murders, was not collected by the police for another three days.

Mr David Boutflour told the court of his shock at discovering the guns in Mr Nevill Bamber's gun cupboard.

Mrs Eaton said that she went to comfort Jeremy Bamber hours after the five bodies were found at White House Farm, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Essex.

She said he told her that after receiving an alleged emergency phone call from his father reporting that his step-sister, Sheila Caffell, had gone berserk with a gun he telephoned the police but an officer who answered took 11 minutes before he would take the call seriously.

Mrs Eaton said: "I said to Jeremy 'why didn't you dial 999?'. He said he didn't think it was that urgent."

The trial continues today.

Lamb seized during French farm protest

By a Staff Reporter

The Government is to take no immediate action over the seizure of a consignment of British lamb by militant French farmers (John Young writes).

A Ministry of Agriculture official said yesterday that the lamb had been bought by a French company, and was being carried in a French lorry with a French driver. The lorry was stopped south of Poitiers and the carcasses were dragged out and reportedly contaminated with pesticides.

Although they have not succeeded in proving any infringement of EEC rules on fair trading, the French farmers blame overseas exports for recent big falls in local lamb prices.

Soccer thugs 'left me scarred and disabled'

An American described to a jury yesterday the night he was attacked by football thugs and left scarred and disabled.

Mr Neil Hansen, aged 30, said that his "souvenir" of a working visit to England included more than 130 stitches, plastic surgery, a tendon transplant and a crippled hand.

He told the Central Criminal Court he had been manager of the Henry J Beans public house in King's Road, Chelsea, south-west London, when attacked on December 29, 1984.

He claims that among his assailants was Terence Matthews – alleged to be "the Fat Man", leader of a mob of Chelsea supporters. "Matthews was the loudest and most vocal of the lot.

"I was trying to grab hold of Matthews and get away when someone glassed me in the face. Then a glass was pushed into my shoulder. As I broke free I received another blow to the face.

"It went through my cheek, severed an artery and broke all my teeth. I was struggling with Matthews and caught a glass across the thumb which severed the tendon and was probably the worst injury of them all in the long run."

Mr Matthews, aged 26, a scrap metal dealer, of Buckhold Road, Wandsworth, south-west London, denies charges of riotous assembly before a Chelsea v Manchester United match at Stamford Bridge, affray and causing grievous bodily harm to Mr Hansen.

The trial continues today.

Olds inquest

An inquest into the death of PC Philip Olds was opened and adjourned yesterday at Hornsey coroners' court, north London. PC Olds, aged 34, was found dead at his home in Pinner, Middlesex, last Wednesday. No cause of death was given yesterday.

Queen to lend Britannia for hard sell

By Alan Hamilton

The Queen has agreed to lend the Royal Yacht Britannia to a group of British businessmen during her state visit to China next week in the hope that it will prove a vital weapon in the public relations armoury aimed at increasing trade with the world's most populous nation.

While the Queen meets political leaders in Peking, Britannia will spend a day cruising in the mouth of the Yangtze river off Shanghai.

On board will be 25 senior British industrialists, led by Sir James Cleminson, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board, and Sir Eric Sharp, chairman of Cable and Wireless, hosting a seminar with senior Chinese trade officials.

Lending the yacht for a day's hard sell has become a regular feature of the Queen's overseas visits. The businessmen who use it believe that it impresses their guests with its distinctively British style.

British exporters are extremely anxious to take advantage of the Queen's visit, and of the exceptional warmth of Sino-British relations that has existed since the signing of the treaty over Hong Kong's future.

Those on board the yacht will be part of a contingent of 110, the largest party of British businessmen to be despatched to China, and representing leading companies such as GEC, British Aerospace and British Telecom.

The emphasis will be on the priorities of China's present five-year plan: energy, transport, telecommunications, food processing, minerals and metals.

The day after the sea cruise, the British party will meet Chinese officials for further talks, centring on 25 big projects in the Shanghai area, of which Britain hopes to capture a leading share. About a dozen important contracts are understood to be ready for signing.

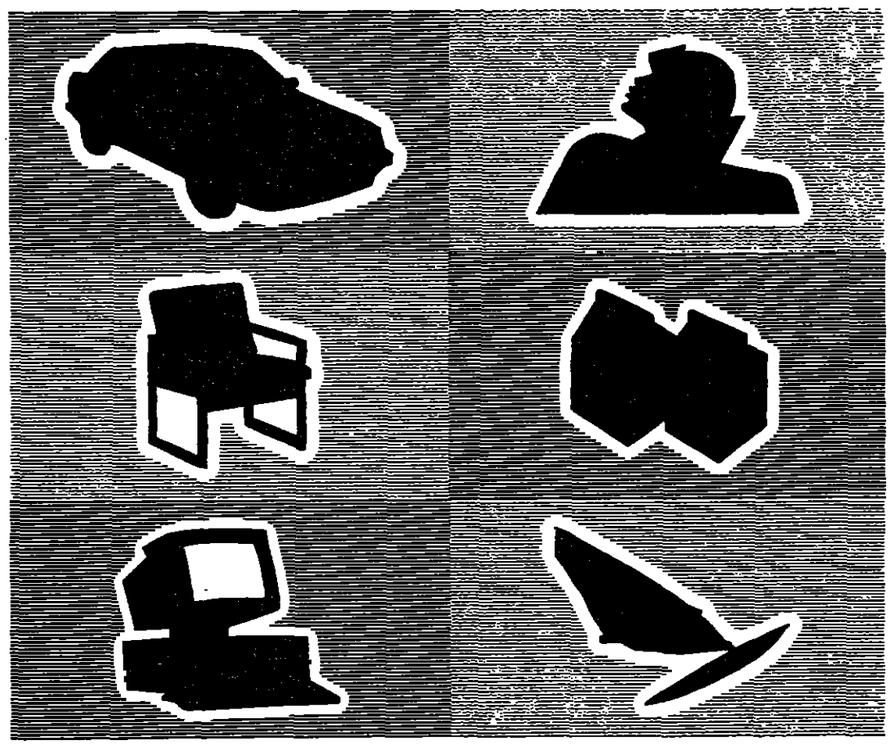
Sir James Cleminson said yesterday: "There is a strong bias in favour of Britain at the moment, and it is up to us to exploit it."

British exports to China, although growing, still lag far behind those of other industrialized nations.

Three years ago Britain's exports were worth only £160 million against imports of £231 million. Exports in the first six months of 1986 were up by £100 million on the same period last year, while imports fell slightly.

The Queen returns from her Balmoral holiday today

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Government 'independent schools' for inner cities

A pilot network of about 20 new schools, to be called City Technical Colleges, would be set up in urban areas, including the disadvantaged inner cities, Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, told the Conservative Party Conference, in Bournemouth, yesterday.

To cheers from the delegates, he said the schools would widen parental choice and increase the range and quality of education in areas where they were most needed.

They would be Government-funded independent schools run by educational trusts and would not be part of the Local Education Authority. Between 750-1,000 pupils, aged from 11 to 18, would be given a free education at each school.

The schools would be financed by his Department with private-sector sponsors making a substantial contribution towards the costs. The curriculum would have a strong emphasis on technological, scientific and practical work, business studies and design.

Mr Baker, who was replying to an education debate, said he would be publishing a booklet with fuller details next week and would be inviting potential promoters to come forward with proposals. He envisaged the first school would open in 1988.

The initiative, which had the enthusiastic backing of the Prime Minister, would offer hope to many young people and their parents. This was a new partnership, he said.

Mr Baker, who received a standing ovation, said that what he had been talking about was not just for the next year or the next 18 months. It was a vision for the rest of the century. We must lift our eyes to that more distant horizon, he said.

After the next election, the Government's aim would be to build on the Education Bill by increasing the authority of head teachers, giving more power to parents and shifting more spending to the schools.

He wanted to see the basic elements of education, the three Rs, restored to their central place in the curriculum, children taught to respect authority in a moral and disciplined framework and children of the inner cities presented with a challenge.

Girls should get an even break in the new technologies and more young people stay on at 16 for education and training. He wanted to see more young people at 18 going on to college. A better-educated nation was a more prosperous nation.

There was no more important thing in society than the next generation. They were the lamps which had to be lit for tomorrow, the growing edge of the nation.

Referring to the Government's Education Bill, he said it laid down that sex education should be set in a moral framework which emphasized loving relationships and the value of family life.

To allow parents an absolute right to withdraw their children from sex education would be a bad precedent and difficult to administer.

He intended to strengthen the safeguards in the Education Bill. Control over sex education would be removed from teachers and local authorities and control given to new-style governing bodies.

On the teachers' pay dispute, he said the Government wanted to see a contract setting out the obligations of teachers, agreement on the cover they provide for absent colleagues and more rewards for good performance.

The motion, which was carried, called on the Government to give the highest priority to raising standards at all levels of the national educational system.

It was moved by Mr Guy Black (Brentwood and Ongar), who said there should be a programme of action for secondary schools, the establishment of a national minimum curriculum and the restoration of the critical link between what taxpayers pay and the end result.



Mrs Thatcher applauding and Mr Tebbit acknowledging the ovation that greeted his speech in Bournemouth yesterday.

HOUSING

Million more home owners in 5 years

Britain will have one million more home owners in the next five years, Mr John Patten, Minister for Housing, Urban Affairs and Construction, promised the conference.

"I will settle for nothing less", he said. He also pledged to revolutionize shared ownership and to restore the right to rent.

He added that the Government would not tolerate any longer the continued decline of free-choice renting.

Future legislation would protect existing tenants but would also restore the right to rent as the final irreversible change, taking housing off the political battleground for good.

Mr Michael Irvine (parliamentary candidate for Ipswich), moving the motion, which was later carried, said that six years after its initial attack on the right-to-buy legislation, Labour had changed to grudging acceptance of the idea, forced on the party by the idea's popularity.

One aspect of the situation was disappointing: the fact that only 4 per cent of sales had been of flats, and he welcomed Government measures to increase such sales.

The privately rented sector was particularly important to young people who had left home but were not yet able to buy their own homes; to single parents and those who had left home after a marriage breakdown; and to those who wanted to move to take up employment.

Mr Michael Keegan, Lambeth, demanded of the Government a firm commitment to deregulate all new lettings.

There were 700,000 empty properties which used to be in the privately rented sector, and deregulating would help to give a place to live to the unemployed who went south to seek work.

Mr Michael Smith, Portsmouth, South, the only speaker against the motion, said that the notion that reduction in the stock of council housing was injurious to the public good was a socialist red herring. It was the total housing stock that was significant.

As a surveyor and a private landlord, he could see no practical way in which the privately rented market could be rejuvenated.

Mr Tony Hall, Southampton Test, said that deregulation of new tenancies was neither an easy nor a cheap option because it would lead to higher rents which would mean the State paying a lot more in housing benefits.

The minister should make it easier to get rid of bad tenants and encourage the market in short tenancies.

Mr Patten said that in seven years the Government had given the country an irreversible improvement in its housing.

Most people were satisfied with their housing, but some were not, and people who rented their homes, whether in the public or private sector, usually faced the worst problems.

In the past, renting had been a normal and respectable choice for everyone but not now for British people.

The private sector had been strangled by rent controls and restrictions and had been driven into a dingy and inaccessible corner, flats and houses being kept empty rather than providing rented homes.

That was one reason why there were more than 500,000 empty privately owned homes which could be rented. No other country had followed Britain down that road. It was a blot on the national scene.

It was grotesque and a disgrace that there were more empty council houses than there were homeless. The Government cared enough to do something about that dreadful state of affairs.

"In future legislation, existing tenants will be protected: today's laws are already much stronger against bad landlords. New tenants will enjoy proper consumer protection as well.

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SOCIAL SERVICES

Fraud and abuse will be cut out

Social Security cheats were given a warning by Mr John Major, Minister of State for Social Security and the Disabled. The Government was determined to cut out fraud and abuse. The money to help the needy came from the taxpayer and it must be spent fairly, he said.

In the last year the Government had dealt with 100,000 cases and saved £120 million.

"That is good but not good enough so we are stepping up our actions", Mr Major told the conference. Another 500 staff had been appointed. They were specially trained to prevent and detect fraud.

"And let me give this warning to the cheats. When we detect serious fraud we will not hesitate to prosecute."

Money for the Social Security system was willingly given, mostly by those on modest incomes. The rich could not finance the programme if every penny they had was taken in tax. It was dishonest of Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow Chancellor, to pretend otherwise.

Mr Major, speaking during a Social Services debate, bitterly resented the Labour slander that Conservatives did not care. They had a record of care and of cash, not of crocodile tears.

He said that Mr Michael Meacher, Labour's shadow health minister, travelled the country like a peripatetic Santa Claus littering uncosted promises with every speech. A Meacher speech was an expensive speech for he was a master of the blank cheque.

"He writes it but the taxpayer pays it."

He said last week Mr Meacher promised to increase pensions effectively to one half or one third of average earnings for couples and single pensioners, respectively. That was desirable but the cost could be as much as £16 billion a year. How would that be met? Borrowing would have ruinous inflationary consequences. And if the money came from the tax and National Insurance payer it would increase National Insurance, for example, by £14 a week for every person in work.

"It is, in short, an unachieveable, cynical, bogus and dishonesty promise."

The Government's new Social Security system would be simpler. Rates had not been finalised but most disabled under pension age would gain over £200 a year. Many would gain much more.

The conference carried, by an overwhelming majority, a motion commending the Government's reform programme for Social Security and calling on the Secretary of State for Social Services, Mr Norman Fowler, to ensure that benefits continued to be targeted towards those most in need, bearing in mind the special position of those who cared for the elderly and inform relatives, and the heads of one parent families.

Mrs Margaret Fry, chairman, Conservative National Women's Committee, moving the motion, said that the Government had already done a great deal to provide assistance to those most in need and the proposals in the Social Security Act, 1986, meant that that commitment would continue to be made.

People of all parties must welcome the much-called-for reform of the welfare state which, because of its very complexity, often failed to give help to the very people it sought to aid while on occasion providing assistance to perhaps less deserving cases.

Mrs Sheila Hewitson, chairman, Scottish Conservative Women's Council, said that unemployment could not be solved until there was substantial economic growth and so people must be given state help.

Dedicated men and women gave up their employment to look after elderly or infirm relatives. The State should help these carers make provision for a pension. They deserved it.

PRIVATIZATION

Sales will bring in £4.75bn each year

There would be a quickening of the Government's privatization programme, Mr Norman Lamont, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, pledged to the conference.

It would go on into the next Parliament and the Parliament after that and no one would be able to reverse it.

Replying to a motion supporting the continuation of the programme and calling for ministers to make much greater effort to explain its advantages, he said millions of people were waiting to join the "people's share club".

In this year and each of the next two years, the Government intended to sell businesses worth £4.75 billion each year.

The privatization of British Gas, in a few weeks time, was expected to be the biggest ever flotation on any stock market anywhere in the world. Inquiries had been pouring in at an enormous rate.

British Airways would be privatized early next year and would be followed by Rolls-Royce and the British Airports Authority in the summer. Privatization of National Bus subsidiaries was already under way.

By the end of next year 600,000 workers would have moved from the public to the private sector. The state sector of industry would have been reduced by more than two-fifths.

Jaguar, Cable and Wireless and National Freight had all increased profits since privatization, he said.

Mr Lamont said that the Labour Party's policy of social ownership was the policy that dare not speak its name — nationalization.

Nationalization was not real public ownership at all. It was ownership by no one, and where no one owned, no one cared. "The State is the worst absentee owner of all."

Mr Kelvin Walker (Birmingham Yardley), moving the motion, which was carried overwhelmingly, said nationalization would mean that there would be only one employer, the Cabinet. At its heart, privatization was about trusting the people, about giving power to them instead of to governments and cabinets.

Mr Giles Harris, of the National Association for the Care and Rehabilitation of Offenders, said the policy of privatization should be extended to the electricity industry, the coal industry, the water industry and to British Rail. Mr John Kapp, secretary of the Bow Group energy committee, urged the privatization of power stations.

Mr Guy Senior, of Guildford Law College, won cheers when he urged the sale of what he called the Bolshevik Broadcasting Corporation. "Everything must go", he said.

COMMENTARY



Geoffrey Smith

The opening day of the conference was not quite what was expected. Before it began signals were being sent by the Conservative hierarchy that the dominating theme was to be an extension of choice for the individual. Within this broad framework a range of new policies would be unveiled which would in due course figure prominently in the next manifesto.

The first ministerial speech from John Patten, the Minister for Housing, Urban Affairs and Construction, fitted neatly into this strategy. Having extended the right to buy so successfully, with the programme for the sale of council houses, the Government is now eager to encourage more private renting.

As a policy objective that seems to me absolutely right. Home ownership is not suitable for everybody and a larger supply of reasonable rented accommodation would also make it easier for people to move around the country to find work.

Investing with Labour lurking

But the difficulty with going very far in that direction is that there may not be enough people prepared to put their money into providing private rented housing so long as there is the fear of a Labour government coming along and taking it over again.

This does not destroy the value of the policy in both practical and political terms. But it does mean that the Conservatives will be hoping to win the election with an appeal whose full credibility depends on the belief that Labour is bound to lose.

Whereas Mr Patten's speech was fully in line with expectations, however, Kenneth Baker's speech was both above and below expectations. This was the first time he had addressed the conference as Secretary of State for Education and it was the most important speech of the day.

That was partly because of the interest that now attaches to him as one of the coming men in the Cabinet, and still more because education has over the past 18 months become one of the most critical political issues.

Mr Baker's contribution did not, though, fit precisely into any preordained schema. He said a good deal about the role and importance of parents in education, but not so much about extending parental choice.

He had not been expected to come out in favour of vouchers, but he did not even offer a hint of encouragement to the advocates of open entry or the per capita funding of schools.

Rather than extending the range of choice for most parents Mr Baker seems to be intent on increasing parental control. There will be more parents on governing bodies, which will have sole responsibility for sex education and be answerable to an annual parents' meeting.

The weakness of this approach is that it may not provide items that will accord so easily with the theme of an election manifesto. The strength is that Mr Baker seems to be feeling his way towards an education policy that may be more credible, more in line with what most people in this country actually want and therefore possibly more politically attractive in the long run.

Baker speech condemned by Labour

By Martin Fletcher
Political Reporter

The shadow Secretary of State for Education and Science, Mr Giles Radice, condemned Mr Baker's speech as "deeply disappointing" and "totally lacking in substance".

He said: "It will do nothing to put more books and equipment into our classrooms, to repair our schools or to improve the quality of teaching".

The proposal to establish 20 experimental technical colleges in the inner cities was an irrelevant gimmick.

He added: "The tragedy for pupils and parents is that he is more concerned about the leadership of the Tory Party than he is about the future of education".

Today's agenda

The conference will debate today energy, transport, health, in a motion calling for improved patient care, and, in the afternoon, local government, law and order and defence.



Mr John Patten: Promise of housing revolution.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY

'Buy British' appeal

An appeal was made by Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry to buy British, not simply because goods were British but because frequently British goods were best in quality, reliability and value for money.

"It is odd that all too often", he said, "foreign customers recognize the quality of British goods more than we ourselves do. Look at the sales of Rover cars on the Continent, for example."

They needed more people in industry equipped with the right knowledge and skills for the industry of the future.

They had to, and were, improving the links between education and industry.

He was proud that his department's spending had fallen by nearly half since 1979, but within that it was spending three times as much on research and development — £400 million.

Ministers to enforce contracts

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, served notice on recalcitrant local authorities yesterday that the Government would force them to contract out more of their services.

A reforming Government which had done so much to change attitudes within industry must now force good practice upon local authorities which in the main still refused to go out to tender, Mr Ridley said at a Conservative Party fringe meeting.

"We did it with direct labour, we did it with the buses and the time has now come to add more services to the list", he told the Selsdon Group, promising to say more about the Government's intentions in a speech to the conference today.

Last year only 16 per cent of councils contracted out a service at all and often a very small one, he said. When they did so they often invented ridiculous and obstructive conditions of contract drawn to ensure that the in-house operation got the job.

Welcome for The Times

The Times, The Sunday Times, The Sun and *News of the World* were welcomed to the conference by Mr Patrick Lawrence, the chairman.

"You will know that the Labour Party last week confined them to their hotels in Blackpool. They may have found that more pleasant than attending the conference but it is no way to run a free country and a free press," he said to applause.

Dictating child's schooling

Whatever the theoretical attractions of greater parental choice, there are a good many parts of this country where practical considerations virtually dictate which school a child will go to. The basis on which Mr Baker is determined finally to end the teachers' dispute will seem sensible to most people in this country if he can achieve it: insisting on linking pay and performance.

The new City Technology Colleges will be available initially to only a small minority of children, a mere 15,000 or so. But the need to do something urgently about inner city education is evident and the principle could be extended.

Some will dismiss his emphasis upon sex education as a political gimmick, but I suspect that it will strike a chord with many potential Tory voters. So too, above all, will the stress he placed upon quality.

The political question now is whether Mr Baker will be able to convince the country that he has enough ideas to give effect to this general principle.

Tebbit attacks socialism as 'creed that has had its day'

In a savage attack on the Labour Party and on socialism, Mr Norman Tebbit, chairman of the party, said they had turned their back on socialism in 1979.

"We were in the lead in the revolt against that outdated, discredited creed, and that lead is being followed across the world", he said.

Mr Tebbit, accompanied by his wife, Margaret, was received with a standing ovation and sat down to one.

He said that at the end of the conference season the Conservative Party remained the only credible party of government.

The first duty of any government, without which none other was possible, must be the defence of the realm. "That is an issue on which we have just seen the Alliance tear itself apart", he said.

Mr David Steel dreamt a lot about coalitions and the conditions he would demand for his support. Perhaps he would be wise to say less about terms for his support of other parties until he could get the support of his own.

Turning to Mr Kinnock, he said: "The more he talks the less he says. But at least he has committed himself to a defence policy, a policy that is bound fatally to undermine Nato, the alliance that has preserved the peace and freedom which we have enjoyed in West Europe for 40 years."

The Labour conference vote to stay in Nato was obtained only on the promise of policies calculated to break up Nato. "Indeed, they seem more willing to trust the invaders of Afghanistan than our allies in the defence of free Europe", he said.

"For Mr Kinnock that may be a fatal misjudgement, for the majority of Labour voters are patriots firmly in the moderate camp, indeed moving further right.

"But Labour's activists have moved firmly to the left, not just on defence, but on nationalization, taxation, the centrally controlled economy: all the old nonsenses of the Trots, Militants, Marxists and political flat-earthers of every kind.

"Those policies of the far left are steadily becoming Labour policy and that is why the left is so quiet. Tomorrow's Labour Party will be further to the left than ever, with one exception — the packaging."

Socialists hated free enterprise, distrusted democratic America while trusting Communist Russia. They were for high taxation, nationalization, controls and the elimination of choice.

"Socialism is a creed that has had its day", he said. "Whenever it has had its chance it has failed — nowhere more than here in Britain."

The Prime Minister had made a clean break with the past. She had pledged herself neither to live with nor die with socialism, but to turn the clock forward and escape from that dreary history of decline.

In the past seven years, under her leadership, they had begun that task.

It had been said that it was impossible to break the grip of inflation: impossible to break the iron grip of the union bosses. But the Government had done the impossible.

Under socialist law the Militant ballot-riggers in the Civil Service Union would have no fear and the moderate majority no chance.

It was said that it would be impossible to denationalize the state industries, yet they had denationalized about a score.

"They say we have flogged the family silver. If family silver costs as much to keep and does as little good as those nationalized industries, I am glad I never had any myself."

It was said that it was impossible to turn back the tide of socialism that had put Britain bottom of the EEC economic growth league.

Last year Britain was top and in the past five years manufacturing growth had matched that of Japan. Britain's economic revival had begun to yield the wealth to answer other needs and to spend on things the country needed. And they had.

More had been spent on hospitals, pensions, the sick and disabled, more on each pupil at school, more on defence, more on the police and more on roads and railways.

All that had been done within the strict limits of prudent financial disciplines which they would continue to keep.

"We shall not promise you any rash electoral bribes — no splurge of spending that would undermine all that we have achieved. That would be folly indeed, a folly that would be seen as folly by the voters too", he said.

When the voters heard the sort of promises Mr Hattersley had made they knew they did not add up. The voters were not daft. They could smell a rat whether it was wrapped in a red flag or covered in roses.

They were not alone in their fight against socialism. "The free world is rejecting socialism and following the lead which you, Prime Minister, have given. While Mr Kinnock threatens to renationalize, the successful nations of the world are following our example. They are holding back public expenditure."

Mr Kinnock, "that Johnny-come-lately", had now discovered morality and claimed it for himself.

But what morality was it to undermine the alliance, restore the tyranny of the closed shop and to talk about the fight against crime, but put the handcuffs on the police and not the criminals?

What morality was it for the Labour-controlled Inner London Education Authority to distribute explicit books which no decent parents would wish their children to see?

What morality was to to let inflation loose once more and debauch the currency and rob savers of the fruits of their providence? "Socialism may claim to be a moral theory, but we know from experience it is a most corrupting practice", he said.

They had to roll back socialism further. They had to liberate more state industries and invigorate public services with competition, consumer choice, better management and financial discipline.

They had to fight against inflation and continue to cut taxes so that people could spend their own money and not have the state do it for them.

They had to create a climate for enterprise so that the fruits of success could allow them to improve the life of those in greatest need.

"We are the only party determined to tread the road away from socialism towards a society sufficiently prosperous to be able not only to care, but to provide for those less fortunate.

"Above all we are the only party prepared to defend the free society."

Reports by Robert Morgan, John Winder, Howard Underwood, Derek Barnett and Peter Mulligan

Law Commission urges borrowers' charter to protect home buyers

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

An urgent overhaul of mortgage laws to give greater protection to borrowers is called for by the Law Commission in a working paper published today.

Outlining a "borrowers' charter", it puts forward several reforms to make borrowing easier and therefore to simplify conveyancing, including protection against interest rates; abolishing unacceptable conditions and limiting losses if the lender sells.

The working paper, on which the commission invites comment, recommends two ways in which mortgage law for land and buildings could be brought up to date:

First, consumer protection rules should be overhauled, extended, made clearer and more logical.

Second, the technicalities need to be simplified. That could make conveyancing easier by introducing a standard form of mortgage document.

The land mortgage laws are "notoriously difficult", the commission says, and there is an increasingly urgent need to reform them. The "most obvious and important reason is the increase in home ownership."

Consumer protection for borrowers would particularly apply to a special class of "protected mortgage" and the

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commission asks which loans should come into that category.

One possibility is where an individual borrows money on his home, or on other property with a £15,000 limit; another possibility is all mortgages of houses or flats.

Among cases that would be tackled by new consumer protection provisions are that of a borrower, Mr A, who obtains a mortgage from Ruritania Bank.

The mortgage deed contains the usual term: the bank can vary the interest rate from time to time. The bank then sells the mortgage to a company, which it is entitled to do, and the company shoots the interest rate up by 10 per cent.

The commission says one possible solution might be not to allow any transfer by the bank unless Mr A agrees; or court powers to lower interest which has been unreasonably altered. A third solution might be to allow variable interest rates only if they are index-linked.

Court actions against defaulting borrowers have risen dramatically, more than doubling in the five years up to 1985 when there were more than 64,000.

The Law Commission: Land Mortgages, working paper 99 (Stationery Office, £9.90).

Price gap on houses continues to widen

By Our Property Correspondent

The house price gap between North and South has continued to widen in spite of a slow-down in house price inflation in the past three months, the Halifax Building Society announced yesterday in a survey of prices.

Its house price index shows that prices increased by 12.8 per cent over the year to the end of September, compared with 13.6 per cent reported last month. During the three months to the end of September prices rose by 2.5 per cent compared with 3.7 per cent during the previous three months, and the rate of increase in new house prices slowed to 10.7 per cent compared with 12.6 per cent to the end of August.

The average house price for the United Kingdom stands at £40,475, ranging from £27,000 for a pre-1919 terrace house to £75,000 for a between-the-wars detached house. But the regional variations again show a huge gap between North and South. The average price of all houses in Greater London is £64,620 compared with £26,720 in Yorkshire and Humberside.

In the South-east the annual average increase to September was 20 per cent and 5.5 per cent over the previous three months, with the West Midlands increases at 11.1 per cent and 3 per cent respectively; Yorkshire and Humberside 8.6 per cent and 2.3 per cent; Wales 8.5 per cent and 4.4 per cent; and Scotland 4.1 per cent and 0.9 per cent.



Mr John Farrell, aged 40, from Southampton, with Helen and Katie Grice, whom he freed from a blazing house a year ago. Mr Farrell, a postman/driver, fought his way up to the first floor to rescue Helen, then three months old, and Katie, then aged nine. He was one of 17 Post Office employees attending a lunch in London yesterday to mark outstanding contributions at work and in the community. Other guests included a part-time postwoman who cycled 200 miles for charity and a letters manager whose efforts at recruiting the disabled have been acknowledged by the Manpower Services Commission (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

Mothers hold key to child neglect

By Jill Sherman

The mother's behaviour is the main factor behind the increase in child neglect, a senior social services officer said yesterday.

Mr David Larter, chief social services officer at the London borough of Redbridge, said that neglect, which now affects thousands of children and can lead to long-term physical and mental difficulties and sometimes death, was largely caused by deficient mothering.

Addressing a conference on "the forgotten children" held by the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children as part of its campaign on child neglect, Mr Larter said that studies had pointed to the mother's failure.

"Many neglecting mothers are depressed. This may not be helped by the father blaming his wife for failing to hold the family together, but it is the mothering capability we need to restore."

Neglected children were those who were ignored, not properly fed or clothed, living in filthy conditions as well as those who never received any affection from their parents.

Mr Larter said that other characteristics typical of neglectful parents were a disorganized way of life, social isolation and feelings of worthlessness. A parent feeling aimless and apathetic might ultimately give up so that the neglected child was not cared for at all and left to die.

Rent controls 'reduce value'

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Rent controls have caused a steady decline in the private rented sector from 90 per cent of housing tenure in 1913 to less than 10 per cent today.

The controls, now largely incorporated in the 1977 Rent Act, were modified by the 1980 Housing Act, which introduced permission for approved landlords to build and let at market rents. But almost no new investment was generated by the move.

The Duke of Edinburgh's inquiry last year reported that organizations representing landlords were critical of inadequate returns on investment, the security of tenure, and the resulting power which they felt could be wielded by tenants. At the same time, tenants complained of high costs for poor housing, insecurity, harassment and little effective redress.

The report concluded that the protective legislation, introduced to prevent the exploitation of Rachmanism, was either responsible for a fall in rented accommodation, or was irrelevant as landlords exploited loopholes open to them.

The British Property Federation said that too few homes were available for rent because the law did not permit private landlords to let on tolerable, let alone attractive, terms. Registered rents gave a return of 2-3 per cent. "There is no incentive to be a landlord on these terms and the resultant shortage makes the problem even worse," it said.

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) said in a report last month that the effect of statutory rent controls had been to reduce the capital value of rented property to about half, even less in some areas, than that of vacant possession property of similar quality. This acted as an incentive for landlords to sell as soon as they could gain vacant possession, rather than reletting.

Rent controls had also made the repair and maintenance of rented property uneconomic in many cases, leading to a decline in the standard of the property and a depreciation of capital value.

While rent controls have acted as a subsidy for tenants, they have also been a temptation for landlords to exert pressure on tenants to quit, the institution said.

In areas of Britain where there is no shortage of rented property, the phasing out of controls, leading to an open market, would make little difference as "fair" rents are at or near open market levels.

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Fewer homes for old should be sold

HOUSE OF LORDS

The Government suffered defeat by 12 votes on the first amendment considered in the House of Lords on the committee stage of the Housing and Planning Bill.

This was inflicted even though **Lord Skelmersdale**, making his first appearance in the House since his promotion to Under Secretary of State for Environment, explained how the Government conceded that the right to buy rules for selling council houses, flats and bungalows suitable for the elderly ought to be tightened so that not so many of them were sold.

Recalling that the rules were last changed in 1984, he said that since then almost 36 per cent of local authority applications for exemptions from the right to buy had been successful compared with only 11 per cent under the 1980 rules.

The Government accepted that the criteria for determining whether a dwelling was suitable for the elderly were those set out in the amendment moved by **Lady David** (Lab) for the Opposition, plus the fact that access to shopping and public transport facilities should also be taken into account.

However, under the amendment responsibility for decisions would pass from the Secretary of State for Environment to individual landlords and given a free hand many local authorities would not hesitate to deny the right to buy in respect of any ground floor accommodation irrespective of its suitability for the elderly.

He indicated he proposed to bring forward at the report stage a Government amendment to meet most of the points raised and said the Government would be consulting on the prescribed features of a dwelling that would have to be taken into account. The Government accepted that the test of suitability should be simplified by the exclusion in the normal case of minor internal design features.

Lady David said present arrangements for exclusions were not working as they should. Many local authorities had made representations. The Secretary of State appeared to be taking a severe view of the criteria set out in the 1984 circular.

Lady Stedman (SDP) said carrying the amendment would not prevent the Minister bringing forward his and then at the report stage the House could see if his was better than theirs and if it was the House would happily change its mind.

Lord Skelmersdale said he was proposing an order-making power which would prescribe regulations which as time went by might need to be changed again. There would be full consultation. That was the right way to go forward.

Changing discounts

In a second divison, a Government amendment providing that changes to the percentage discount on the sale of council houses could be made by order, with Treasury consent, rather than through a Bill, was carried by 117 votes to 104, Government majority – 13.

Lord Skelmersdale, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, proposing the amendment, said it was the second time the Government had had to ask for changes in the discount structure.

It seems ridiculous (he said) to have to wait for a suitable legislative vehicle each time the government wants to change something as often as it needs to.

It would not mean any less parliamentary control as the order would be subject to affirmative resolution of both Houses as well as having to receive Treasury approval.

Lady David (Lab) said the Opposition was suspicious of the Government's intent. Discounts fundamentally affected the housing strategy of local authorities as well as their financial position.

It was hard to imagine the Government proposing the amendment if it did not intend to use it to raise the level of discount. Could it be a pre-election strategy?

Mentally-ill criminals

The Government has sent out a report for consultation to explore ways of preventing the premature release of mentally-ill criminal offenders. **Lord Beaverbrook**, the Government spokesman, said

Asked by **Lord Allen of Abbeydale** (Ind) about the possible tightening of the law in this area, he said the aim would be to include any agreed amendments to the Mental Health Act in a future Justice Bill.

He added: The examination follows concern about the release from special hospitals of psychopathically disordered patients who may re-offend. Of 38 such patients discharged from special hospitals by the tribunal between September 1983 and the end of 1985, four are known to have subsequently committed serious offences.

Parliament today

Lords (2.30): European Communities (Amendment) Bill, committee stage.

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	30	£18,151	£28,825	£43,453	£14,034	£21,237
	49	£7,203	£7,573	£8,616	£1,886	£2,168
£20	18	£40,557	£82,994	£152,865	£51,509	£95,055
	30	£24,454	£38,833	£58,541	£18,907	£28,611
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Doubts growing over savings from abolition of GLC and counties

by Michael Evans, Whitehall Correspondent

The Government has little hope of reaching its planned savings of £100 million a year after the abolition of the Greater London Council and the six metropolitan counties, according to a survey carried out by *The Times*.

Many officials involved in the complex transfer of responsibilities from the abolished top tier of local government to the district councils are openly sceptical of the Government's figures.

Only Sir Godfrey Taylor, chairman of the London Residuary Body which was set up to handle the transfer of services and assets from the GLC, remains confident that big savings can be made.

When the Government announced its intention to get rid of the GLC and the metropolitan counties, it was predicted that £50 million a year would be saved in London and £50 million from the other six areas.

Yesterday the Department of the Environment said that the up-to-date manpower figures which would give a clearer indication of savings on jobs would not be made public until December.

However since the seven councils were abolished in April, most of the employees have found work with the local district councils who have needed to expand to cope with their new responsibilities. Only 6,160 people have been made redundant, of whom about 3,000 worked at the GLC.

One of the residuary bodies is even funding a special research unit at Birmingham University to discover if any genuine savings are made over the next three years.

Mr Peter McKay, chief executive of the West Yorkshire Residuary Body, said yesterday: "We've said all along that it would be difficult to make savings."

However all the residuary bodies claimed that the transfer of duties has been running smoothly. Warnings of non-co-operation, political uproar and confusion have proved baseless.

One official said that the whole abolition process had turned out to be a non-event.

In West Yorkshire, which includes Leeds and Bradford district councils, 960 people have been paid redundancy money, property worth £1.3 million has been sold and the five district councils have taken on 3,000 of the county staff.

In West Midlands, the residuary body chairman, Dr Malcolm Skillicorn, said redundancies totalled about 600, but he said it would be "touch and go" whether there would be any net savings.

In Tyne and Wear, Mr Peter Smith, general manager of the residuary body, said that about 150 had been redundant but he added :"I don't think that the savings will be very significant."

In South Yorkshire, Mr Bill Irving, chief executive, said :"There may be savings in the long term but it's all so muddied that it's impossible to say whether there will be savings."

In Greater Manchester, Mr Peter Hadfield, the residuary body chairman, said that there had been 600 voluntary redundancies. He said it was too early to put a figure on the likely savings.

In Merseyside, Mr Anthony Thompson, chief executive of the residuary body, said there had been about 200 redundancies.

In London, Sir Godfrey Taylor rejected the widespread view that redundancies did not signify instant savings. He said: " We have made about £50 million savings already from the 3,000 redundancies. There was a huge bureaucracy here and we anticipate making greater savings."

Damages win over Kennedy allegations

A retired CIA officer, Mr David Phillips, won "substantial" libel damages in the High Court yesterday over allegations that he was involved in a conspiracy relating to the assassination of President Kennedy.

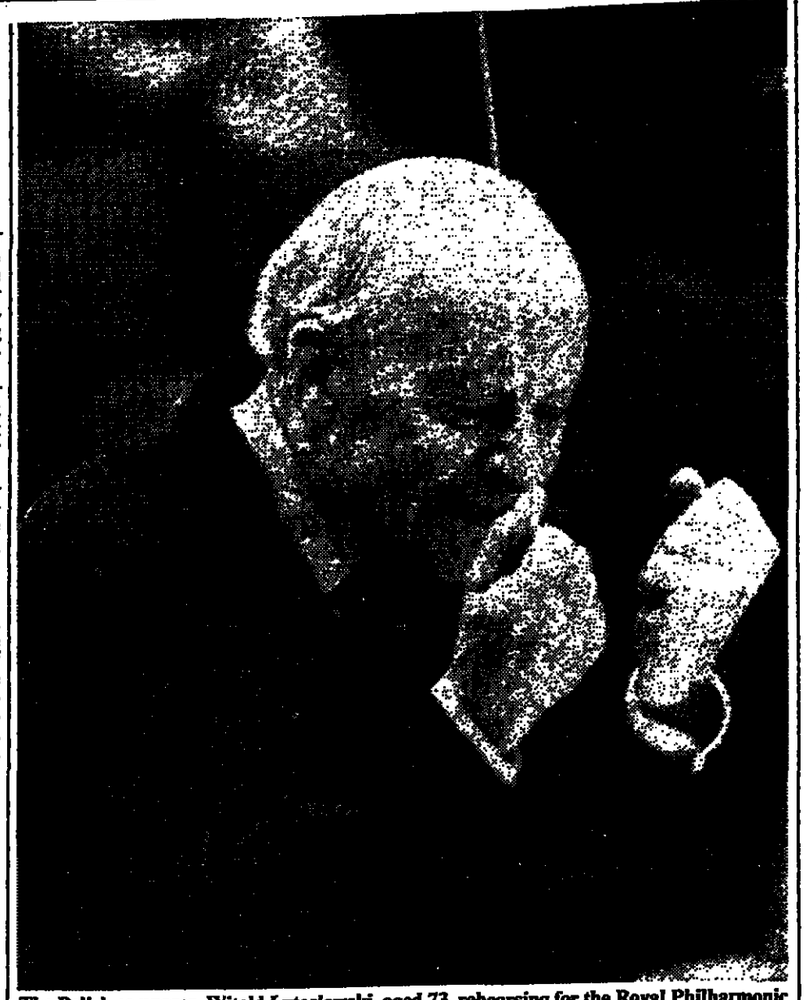
In May 1980, *The Observer* published two articles about the assassination from a book called *Conspiracy* by Anthony Summers.

"Mr Phillips had given evidence to two inquiries conducted by the Congress of the United States of America in 1975 and 1979," his counsel, Mr Michael Tugendhat, QC, told Mr Justice Davies.

In reporting on the second inquiry and the report made by the Select Committee of Congress, the articles could be read to suggest that Mr Phillips was involved in a conspiracy relating to the assassination, Mr Tugendhat said.

The Observer had always accepted that there was no evidence to support the suggestion and did not intend such a suggestion, he said.

The publishers of *The Observer* agreed to pay undisclosed damages and legal costs. Their counsel, Mr Stephen Nathan, said they "unreservedly apologized for the distress caused and fully accepted that Mr Phillips was in no way involved in the assassination".



The Polish composer, Witold Lutoslawski, aged 73, rehearsing for the Royal Philharmonic Society concert tonight at the Festival Hall in London when Sir Michael Tippett will present him with the society's gold medal (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Scientists propose to map genes in body

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

An international research project for making a map of the whereabouts of every gene in the body, and there are an estimated 500,000, is generating excitement and controversy.

It is the most ambitious scientific proposal since the project to land a man on the Moon. Estimates of how long it would take and the cost vary. On average, it seems 3,000 top scientists could do it in 15 years, spending more than £1,000 million.

The proposed effort and expense may seem disproportionate to the task but scientists seek a complete understanding of something invisible to the naked eye. It consists of 3.5 picograms – one million millionth of a gram – of the substance found in the centre of every body cell.

But the microscopic amount of material forms the two strands of the DNA, deoxyribonucleic acid, which contains the blueprint of life. The strands consist of 3,000 million biochemical beads twisted together in the double helix of genetic material decoded by Francis Crick and James Watson, at Cambridge.

The map reference for a gene would be accompanied by an analysis of its chemical composition.

Benefits would include cures or better treatments for more than 3,000 known genetic illnesses, an understanding of why some genes go wrong and cause cancer, development of drugs made from human genes, and the resolution of controversies about evolution.

The identification of a gene is rare, and the location and analysis of chemical make-up is the stuff of which Nobel prizes are made. That the entire human "genome sequence" could be unravelled as part of an international programme was raised at the Gordon conference last year.

Subsequently, eight workshops of eminent scientists in the US and Europe have debated how it might be done.

The parallel with the Moon landing was drawn by Sir Walter Bodmer, the geneticist and director of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund in London. He was cautious about a bulldozer approach to research. But when President Kennedy set the goal to land a man on the Moon within a decade, he had been advised by specialists confident the technology existed.

When President Nixon set a similar goal, for conquering cancer, there was no scientific advance to give the ambition a foundation for success.

In Sir Walter's view, one missing element was the lack of understanding of human genetics. For him, the mapping of the complete genome is "the most exciting human endeavour".

The most important discovery this year which makes the project feasible is the development of a way of greatly simplifying identifying which string of biochemical beads in the DNA forms a gene.

Professor Leroy Hood and Dr Stephen Kent, of the California Institute of Technology, have managed to mechanise the time-consuming method of chemically analysing genes, which won Nobel prizes for Professor Fred Sanger (Cambridge University) and Professor Walter Gilbert (Harvard).

Not everyone involved in molecular biology and genetics is convinced by the so-called "megasequencing" approach. Professor James Tooze, of the European Molecular Biology Organization, is concerned about the disruptive effect on other biological and medical research of concentrating so much effort and money on one topic.

Two rivals battle for Guy's deal

Final details of the handing over of the private wing at Guy's Hospital, London, are expected in the next few weeks.

Two companies, American Medical International, which owns 12 private hospitals in Britain, and Hospital Corporation, the British subsidiary of an American health care group, are now competing to take over the running of the 64-bed wing.

The successful company will be expected to invest £3 million to redevelop the wing, handing over a share of the profits to Guy's Hospital.

The money will be used to upgrade facilities and convert the existing beds into 40 or 50 bedrooms with private baths, giving an income of about £500,000 a year to the NHS.

The private wing, called Nuffield House, has slipped from a profit-making concern bringing in £300,000 a year to its present position this year of a projected £600,000 loss.

Nun 'treated kitchen staff like children'

A nun at an old people's home treated staff so badly that they were scared to speak to each other, an industrial tribunal was told yesterday.

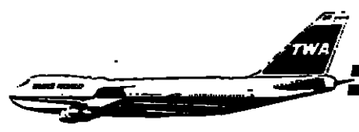
Mrs Agnes Clark, aged 32, of Drumoyne, Glasgow, was awarded £1,765 for unfair dismissal from her kitchen job at Nazareth House.

Mrs Clark told the hearing in Glasgow that Sister Philip, who was in charge of the kitchen, treated the staff like children.

"She was always shouting at us and picking on us over trivial things," she said. "Eventually we were too scared to speak to each other in case Sister Philip shouted at us."

Mrs Clark discussed the problem with the Mother Superior of the order that runs the home in Cardonald, Glasgow. A few days later, Mrs Clark said, she was told by Sister Philip that she had been replaced.

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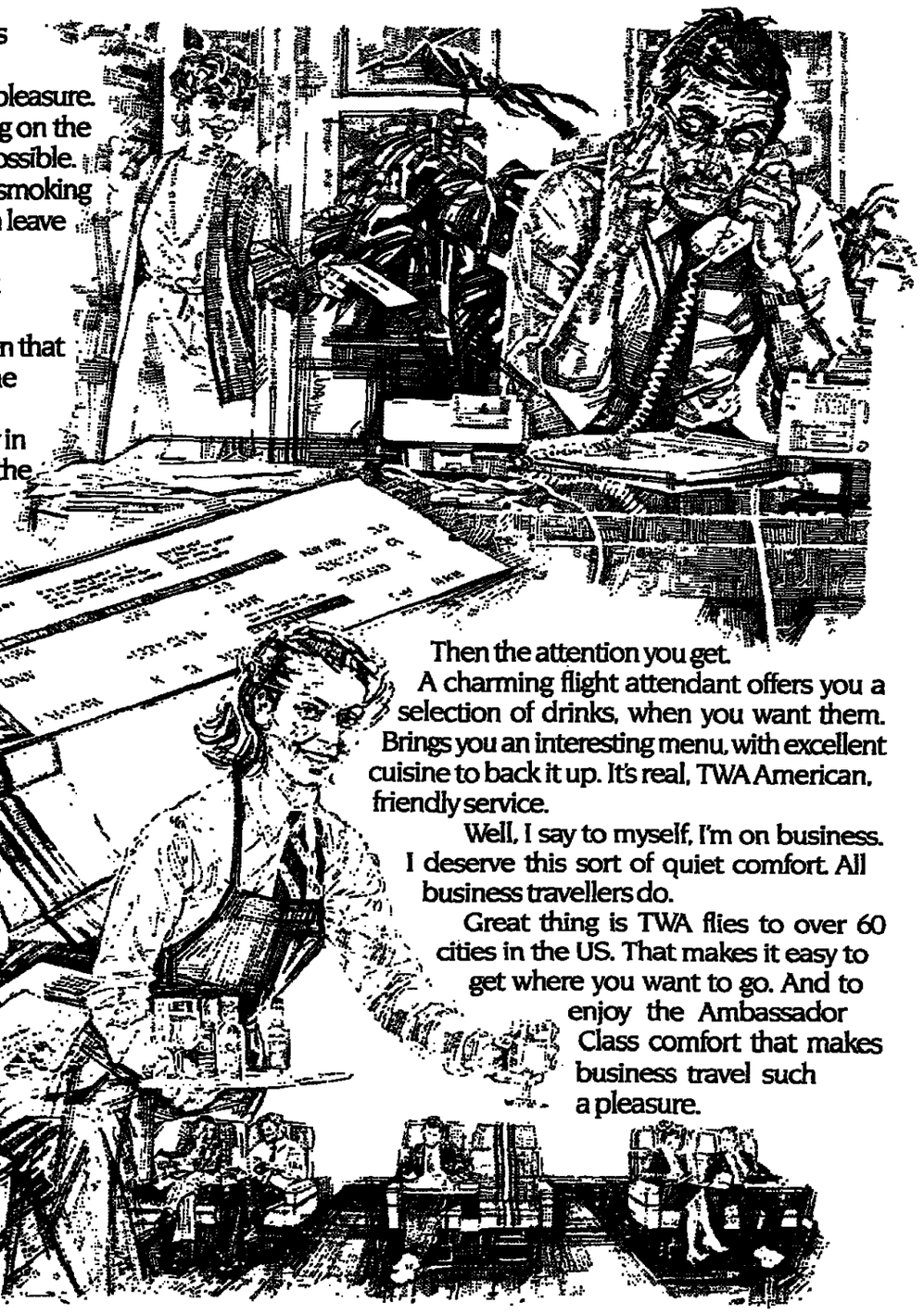
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Kentucky rifle shoots into the record books

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

They made very long rifles down in Kentucky in the bad old days and Sotheby's yesterday got the longest price, at £21,450, it has yet recorded for one of them. The pre-sale estimate was only £1,200 to £1,800.

The flintlock rifle dates from about 1800 and has a barrel 45 in long with an attractive striped maple full stock and scrolling silver inlay on the butt. It was a very accurate weapon for its day.

The reason for the big price was that the rifle had survived in its original condition. Most Kentucky flintlocks were converted to percussion, with the result that flintlocks became rarities; in recent times dealers have busily converted the percussions back to flintlock to get a better price. The Sotheby gun had avoided either conversion.

There was an American bidder on the telephone up to £15,000 and a commission bid from the US. The final battle was between two bidders in the room with Peter Finer, a Gloucestershire arms dealer, carrying off the prize.

At Sotheby's in London a *faience* table top that had surfaced in the maid's room of an old aristocratic family was bid to £57,200 (estimate £8,000 to £12,000). It was made at the small Kiel factory in Germany in 1769 and elegantly painted with an allegorical scene of travellers at the crossroads by Abraham Leihamer. It was bought by a north German dealer on behalf of a private collector.

The new interest in the neo-classical period was underlined by a Berlin vase of about 1800, painted with garlands of fruit and flowers, which made £9,900 (estimate £3,000 to £5,000). A Berlin Easter egg, only 2½ in high, made £3,740 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500).

Among the prime rarities of the sale were two fifteenth-century blue and white "oak leaf" drug jars. The Florentine example was sold for £35,200 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000) but the one from Montelupo was unsold at £9,500 (estimate £10,000 to £15,000). The sale totalled £448,740 with 15 per cent left unsold.

Italy and Libya swap seven prisoners after secret deal on pardons

From Peter Nichols, Rome

Four Italian and three Libyan prisoners have been released after secret negotiations between Rome and Tripoli, and have been flown home.

The operation was speeded up so it could be completed before the Libyan leader, Colonel Gaddafi, delivered a potentially embarrassing speech last night in which he was expected to attack Italy.

The prisoners were flown out of the two countries in the course of Monday night, the eve of the sixth anniversary of the expulsion from Libya of the resident Italian community.

The anniversary is known by Colonel Gadaffi as the "day of revenge", when he usually attacks Italian conduct during the colonial regime and the last war.

The four released Italians were flown to Rome in an aircraft provided by the International Red Cross. Two of them, Signor Enzo Castelli and Signor Edoardo Seliciato, were arrested in August 1980 and accused of plotting against state security. Signor was also charged with belonging to the secret service of a foreign power.

In 1982 both were tried by a military court. Signor Seliciato was sentenced to death, Signor Castelli given 15 years. On appeal, they both received life imprisonment. The specific charges were that they acted as links between a Libyan officer planning to overthrow Colonel Gadaffi and the Egyptians.

They were working in the Tobruk area on contracts supervized by the officer who had regional command in the area. The officer was later shot.

The health of both men, after six years in a Libyan prison, was at a low ebb. According to an Italian official who had seen them recently their condition was "pretty disastrous", especially as they then had no prospect of release.

The other two Italians, Mauro Piccin and Massimo Caporali, were serving 10-year sentences for possession of drugs.

The Libyans released by the Italians were serving sentences for murder or attempted murder of fellow Libyans in Italy who opposed Colonel Gadaffi.

Jussef Uhida fired six bullets into a Libyan businessman and killed him in April 1980 on Rome's Via Veneto. He was first given a life sentence and then had this reduced to 26 years on appeal.

The other two had shot at two Libyans in February 1981 at Rome's Fiumicino airport, having mistaken one of them for a leading figure in the opposition to Colonel Gadaffi. They were both sentenced to 14 years and 11 months.

Both sides have maintained a minimum of judicial procedure by having their respective prisoners released after being pardoned by the heads of state.

The object of abiding by judicial proceedings was to avoid the impression of a simple barter arrangement of prisoners between governments.

The Libyans had been pressing for the release of the three gunmen ever since they were arrested, and the Italians took the opportunity of exploiting the situation to the benefit of the four Italians whose release they have obtained.

Where does this leave Italy's relations with Libya? The Italian view is that the political repercussions are unlikely to be of great significance, except for some domestic attacks from parliamentarians here who object to dealings of any kind with Libya.

The whole affair is seen by the Italian authorities as essentially a humanitarian step by them.

The principal problem left to be solved between the two countries remains the $750 million (£520 million) which the Italians estimate is owed by Libya to Italian businessmen.

Already some Libyan assets have been sequestrated by the courts in Italy at the request of a company unable to obtain payment from Libyan authorities. The method the Italians are trying to adopt to settle these bills is to take just enough oil from Libya to cover more or less the value of the Libyan debts.

This has to still to be agreed and the Italians feel they will have to wait until the current "day of revenge" is over and temporarily forgotten before they can resume talks in a reasonably calm atmosphere.



Mr Yitzhak Shamir, Israeli Foreign Minister, looking towards Mr Shimon Peres after the Prime Minister's farewell speech in the Knesset. Mr Shamir is due to take over the premiership next week as part of an accord. Jordan talks, page 9

Chile court bars trial of 39 for abuses

Santiago (Reuter) – The Chilean Supreme Court ruled yesterday that a former junta member and 39 others, including three retired generals, could not be tried in connection with the disappearance of communist leaders a decade ago.

The court upheld an earlier appeals court decision ruling that the case was covered by a 1978 amnesty law.

The law decreed that security forces could not be tried for abuses in the years immediately after the 1973 military coup.

$7.5m US aid for Sudan

Washington – The United States has signed an agreement giving Sudan about 9,400 metric tonnes of aid worth $7.5 million (£5.2 million), an official of the Administration for International Development (AID) said (Mohsin Ali writes).

A formal transfer agreement of the food aid, mainly sorghum, was signed in Washington on Friday, he said.

Troops claim

Athens – Mr Karolos Papoulias, the Greek Foreign Minister, accused Turkey of reinforcing its military presence in northern Cyprus by 8,000 to 9,000 men.

Pope's plan

Annecy, France (Reuter) – The Pope called on Roman Catholics to follow the example of France's 16th century Saint, Francis of Sales, and inject new dynamism into the church.

Berlin parade

Berlin (Reuter) – Troops of the East German Army, Navy and Air Force marched through the centre of East Berlin to mark the 37th anniversary of the communist German state.

Swazi change

Mbabane (Reuter) – King Mswati of Swaziland has sacked the Prime Minister, Prince Bhekimpi, and replaced him with the former Assistant Police Commissioner, Mr Sotsha Dlamini.

Sydney charge

Sydney (AP) – One of Australia's most wanted fugitives, Mr Barry Bull, was charged with conspiracy to import drugs and with passport violations after being extradited from Austria.

Titanic Bill

Washington (AP) – The House of Representatives has given final approval to a Bill directing the Reagan Administration to consider making the site of the wreck of the passenger liner Titanic an international maritime memorial.

Glider crash

Dar es Salaam (Reuter) – Three young Frenchmen have been charged in Tanzania with illegal entry after a hang-glider crashed on Mount Kilimanjaro, judicial sources said.

New bid to discredit Solidarity

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw

The Polish Government, in an attempt to discredit union leaders such as Mr Zbigniew Bujak and Nobel laureate Mr Lech Walesa, has presented the financial balance sheets of the banned union, Solidarity, decoded by the secret police.

The accounts, released on Monday, were found on computer discs snatched when police raided the hiding place of Mr Bujak.

According to Mr Jerzy Urban, a Government spokesman, the discs – which also included letters from Solidarity exiles in the West – show that hundreds of thousands of pounds in Western donations (including a large sum from the US) flowed into union offices abroad and to the underground in Poland.

Letters quoted by Mr Urban also revealed that the union had been squabbling over money rather than strategy.

Officials gave copies of the accounts and the letters to Western reporters. According to the financial print-out £300,000 was sent to help the Solidarity in Poland last year.

The timing of the Government move is significant. Solidarity has recently announced the establishment of an advisory council which would, if the Government were willing, talk with the authorities.

But the Government has already banned the council and has therefore made it clear that it does not want to talk to its members.

The problem of Mr Walesa is more delicate. The Government says it is now willing to talk to anybody in Poland prepared to work within the constitution for the good of the country.

Mr Walesa, who is not on the board of the new Solidarity council, would seem to qualify and is internationally respected. But the authorities do not want to stir up old ghosts, or alarm Moscow and are therefore equally keen to discredit Mr Walesa.

According to Mr Urban, those documents reveal that Solidarity exiles – some of them convicted traitors – have been following instructions from the Solidarity leadership in Poland.

"Will these fragments of the documents make anyone believe that Walesa and Bujak really want sincere co-operation and want to act within the socialist system for the well-being of Poland? They are people with black palates," Mr Urban said.

Asked by Western reporters whether Mr Walesa stands a chance of becoming a partner to the Government, Mr Urban said: "No I cannot imagine this ever happening."

Setback for extremist leader

FBI raids rightist cult HQ

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The cult-like organization of Mr Lyndon LaRouche, the right-wing extremist, has been dealt a devastating blow after a dawn raid on his Virginia headquarters by more than 300 armed police, and court indictments of 10 of his closest aides on charges of credit-card fraud amounting to more than $1 million (£689,000).

The raid by agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and other law-enforcement agencies follows a two-year grand jury investigation of allegations that the LaRouche organization had defrauded more than 1,000 people through fraudulent credit-card billings.

Unauthorized charges were made on account numbers obtained when people subscribed to publications controlled by Mr LaRouche or offered contributions to his organization.

The indictments, issued in Boston on his aides and five affiliated groups, were swiftly denounced by Mr LaRouche as "politically motivated."

Coming only a month before the mid-term elections in which LaRouche supporters are running for office in several states, the accusations will further undermine the credibility of the eccentric political maverick.

Mr LaRouche himself was not charged, but is under investigation.

The size of the police raid, using tracker dogs and marksmen, on the closely guarded LaRouche headquarters in Leesburg, 50 miles west of Washington, reflected concern that the group has a reputation for harassing opponents.

The FBI obtained several important documents and financial records, which a Justice Department spokesman said might link Mr LaRouche directly with criminal activity. Separate investigations are already underway in 10 states on his organization's activities.

Federal officials said the investigation had been particularly difficult as the LaRouche group had repeatedly filed court motions to delay proceedings.

The 30-page indictment quotes him telling an associate: "We are going to stall, tie them up in the courts, just keep stalling, stall and appeal, stall and appeal."

Mr LaRouche, who was once on the radical left, has warned of a bizarre constellation of conspiracies, saying the US and the Soviet Union had plotted against workers, the Queen was head of an international drug-trafficking ring, and prominent US officials such as Dr Henry Kissinger were KGB agents.

His supporters have also been accused of intimidation by repeated telephone calls, often late at night, asking for funds.

They call for a build-up of US nuclear forces.

Babangida moves on corruption

By Nicholas Beeston

The wide-scale reshuffles in the Nigerian hierarchy over the past three weeks signals a move by President Babangida to keep his ministers "on the hop", according to diplomatic sources.

Yesterday the military government in Lagos appointed Rear Admiral Patrick Koshoni, the Labour Minister, to Chief of the Naval Staff following the promotion of his precedessor, Rear Admiral Augustus Aikhomu, to the country's second-highest post of Chief of General Staff.

Three new ministers were named last month and on Monday five changes were made to the Armed Forces Ruling Council.

The most dramatic change is the unexplained removal of Commodore Ebitu Ukiwe as Chief of General Staff. His new post has not been announced, and a government spokesman in Lagos gave no explanation for the demotion.

Diplomatic sources suggest, however, that Gen Babangida hopes to keep a tight reign on security and corruption by making regular ministerial changes to prevent senior officers from becoming too influential in key ministries. Commodore Ukiwe's demise follows his conspicuous absence from the Independence Day parade last week.

A Christian from the Ibo tribe, he embarrassed the Government last January when he said he had not been informed by Gen Babangida, who is a Muslim, of Nigeria's decision to join the Islamic Conference organization.

Commodore Ukiwe had been a member of the ruling Supreme Military Council under General Mohammed Buhari, who was deposed in a coup 14 months ago. His removal means that Ibos no longer figure in the decision-making military council.

Death proves a point in Beirut

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

Death in Beirut tends to be a warning rather than a solution. Sheikh Sobhi Saleh proved the point yesterday by dying at the hands of two masked gunmen on a motor cycle in Sakiet el-Janzier, a neighbourhood of high-rise flats and traffic jams.

So did the six Christian militiamen, each shot in the back of the head, whose decomposing corpses were found in a dried-up river bed.



Sheikh Sobhi Saleh: murder seen as a warning.

The Sheikh's assassination is already the subject of speculation in the Muslim sector of west Beirut, which is where he met his brutal end, shot in his limousine as he left the Khaled bin Walid mosque. He was the second most important Sunni prelate in Lebanon.

The gunmen left no clue, of course, to their identity or motives. But the Sunnis of Beirut drew their own conclusions. Was not the minority but wealthy Sunni community being accused of supporting the Palestinians? Did not these accusations come from the Syrians? And did not the Syrian Army and secret police return to west Beirut last July? Was the murder of the Sheikh, aged 53, who came from the northern city of Tripoli, some kind of warning?

President Gemayel, who is a Christian Maronite, lost no time in posthumously giving the cleric the Order of the Cedar, Lebanon's highest award. A general strike was called in west Beirut by the Dahr al-Iftah, the Sunni religious hierarchy. Sheikh Hassan Khaled, the Sunni Grand Mufti, announced that he would return to Beirut at once from Moscow to consider the consequences of the murder.

There was less doubt about the murderers of the six Christians found lying in the river bed. They were among 55 men listed as missing by the pro-Syrian Christian militia of Elie Hobeika after their abortive raid into east Beirut almost two weeks ago.

Their massacre – for it seems clear that all have perished at the hands of their Phalangist captors, even though only 20 bodies have been discovered – spoke for itself.

Of more long-term consequence was the decision yesterday to deploy Syrian military "observers" outside the Rashidiyeh Palestinian camp south of Tyre to ensure that the ceasefire between Palestinian guerrillas and pro-Syrian Shia Muslim Amal militiamen is maintained.

It is the first time Syrian troops and intelligence agents have openly appeared south of Tyre – scarcely 12 miles from the Israeli frontier – and their deployment represents an important extension of Syrian power in Lebanon.

It means that, save for areas of the Bekaa valley, the Christian districts north of Beirut and the Israeli occupation zone in the south, there is scarcely a corner of Lebanon that is not now subject to Syrian influence

South Africa visit not likely to move Steel

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Mr David Steel, the leader of the Liberal Party, arrived here yesterday at the start of a four-day visit to South Africa, declaring that he would be "very surprised" if he learned anything that would change his party's policy towards South Africa.

A motion calling for the imposition of comprehensive mandatory economic sanctions against South Africa was approved by the Liberal Party at its assembly in Eastbourne at the end of last month. It was argued that sanctions offered the last opportunity for peaceful change.

Vienna – The Austrian Government announced sanctions against South Africa yesterday which conform with those of the EEC and are less severe than those announced by the US (Richard Bassett writes).

Mr Steel, who is to visit Durban and Cape Town, drove from Johannesburg's Jan Smuts Airport to Pretoria for an hour's meeting with Mr Pik Botha, the South African Foreign Minister.

He said he hoped to meet a "broad spectrum" of people and to talk with "every shade of opinion", but, mindful perhaps of the fate of other foreigners who have visited South Africa recently with that aim, he declined to say whom he planned to see.

He did disclose that a request to visit Nelson Mandela, the jailed African National Congress (ANC) leader, had been turned down. He said it appeared it would also be difficult to meet Mrs Winnie Mandela, the ANC leader's wife, as she was "very busy".

It is known that Mr Steel plans to meet Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the powerful Zulu leader, probably in Ulundi, the capital of the tribal homeland of KwaZulu, today. Chief Buthelezi, KwaZulu's Chief Minister, is opposed to sanctions and intensely disliked by more radical black leaders.

Later today Mr Steel is to meet Mr Alan Paton, the novelist, and Professor Desmond Clarence, former vice-chancellor of Natal University, who is chairman of the so-called Natal "indaba" (conference), which is trying to draw up a fully democratic and multi-racial constitution for the province.

Mr Paton was leader of the South African Liberal Party until it disbanded in the late 1960s.

● **Security man killed:** A gunman shot dead a security force member in a black township and a black man was badly wounded when a crowd set him alight, authorities said yesterday (AP reports). The Bureau for Information said an officer identified as C Ngombane was killed when someone fired three shots at him in Joza township, outside Grahamstown in the eastern Cape Province on Monday night.

We'll fight warns Pretoria

The South African Defence Minister, General Magnus Malan, yesterday warned Mozambique of possible military reprisals if it continued to allow black nationalist guerrillas to operate from its soil (Michael Hornsby writes).

General Malan also said that the time might have come to declare southern Africa a neutral zone with no military access for the United States or Russia.

South Africa was threatened by an economic war by the United States and a revolutionary war backed by the Soviet Union and could not allow itself to be caught in a pincer movement.

Pretoria wanted neither but would be prepared to fight both if it had to, General Malan told the South African Press Association.

'Titian-school' painting original, say experts

From Paul Valley
New York

A painting, which was granted an export licence from Britain as being "of the school of Titian", has been acclaimed as the work of the master and has sold here for 40 times its original price.

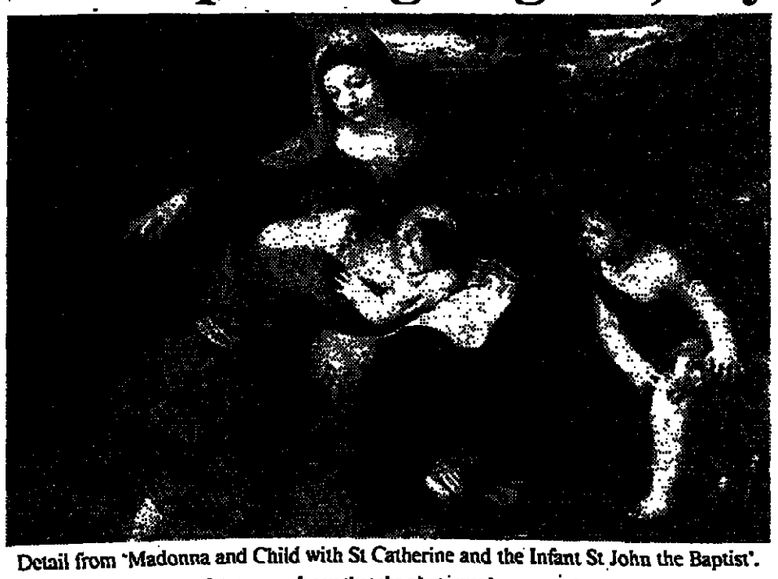
The painting, "Madonna and Child with St Catherine and the Infant St John the Baptist", was sold at Sotheby's in London in April for £33,000.

This week it was announced that a New York dealer has had the painting re-evaluated as an authentic Titian and has sold it for "around $2 million" (£1.37 million) to the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Texas.

Now the New York art world is abuzz with the gossip that either the original British owners or the Texan purchasers have made a serious blunder.

Sotheby's showed it to Mr Charles Hope of the Warburg Institute, the leading expert on Titian, and he has no doubts that the 41 in by 58 in painting is a studio work.

But Mr John Brealey, one of America's leading art figures and chief conservator at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, is stating that the canvas is the work of the studio master.



Detail from 'Madonna and Child with St Catherine and the Infant St John the Baptist'.

"The Titian is an absolutely marvellous picture," he told *New York Art*, the newsletter which announced the sale.

American experts, who have had access to x-rays of the work say that the photographs reveal that the work was originally painted in exactly the same format as that of an acknowledged Titian in the National Gallery in London.

"Later the figure of St John was painted out and covered with a landscape. The figure was then moved to the opposite side of the picture," said Mr Piero Corsini, the New York art dealer, who bought the painting at the London auction.

Mr Corsino believes that the work is a preliminary study for the National Gallery picture. "The other is far more finished and refined," he said.

The credulity of the art world on the matter has been stretched by Mr Corsino's announcement that another painting he acquired in the same sale which was represented in the catalogue as "Studio of Paolo Caliari called Paolo Veronese" is in fact also by the master of the school.

"This has been confirmed by Professor Terisio Pignatti of Venice, who is the leading expert on Veronese," Mr Corsini said yesterday. Another American museum was already interested in buying it at a price of about $500,000. The painting, "The Rape of Europa," cost Mr Corsini £12,100 at Sotheby's. The seller had bought it at Sotheby's three years before, identically catalogued for £11,550. On that occasion he was the only bidder on the picture.

The dealer says he had no problems in obtaining an export licence for the first work.

He said: "They still think it is a school painting but I have no doubts. I suspected as much as soon as I saw it. But now that it has been cleaned and x-rayed I am as certain as anyone can be."

East bows to power of press at Vienna talks

From Richard Bassett
Vienna

For the first time in the history of the negotiations on European security and co-operation (CSCE), the Soviet bloc has agreed to open some plenary meetings to journalists at next month's Vienna meeting.

The agreement was hailed yesterday as a "major breakthrough" by Western delegates at the end of a two-week preparatory meeting in the Austrian capital.

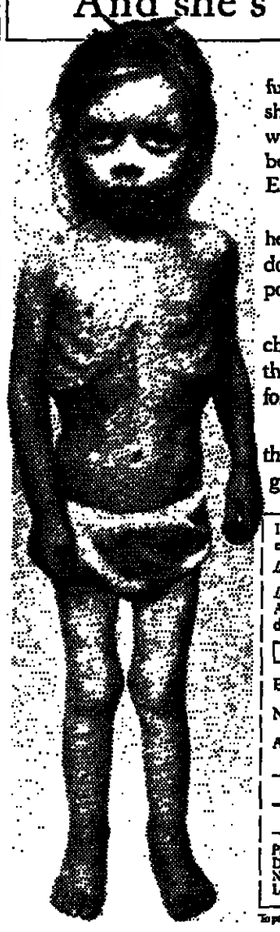
"We should like to make CSCE a far more public process but until now the East has always resisted allowing journalists into any but the opening sessions of the conference," one Western ambassador told journalists yesterday.

Next month's Vienna meeting is the follow-up to the Madrid conference provided for by the Helsinki Final Act.

Delegations from 35 European countries will attend; only the Albanians will not be represented.

The Vienna follow-up meeting is scheduled to last half a year.

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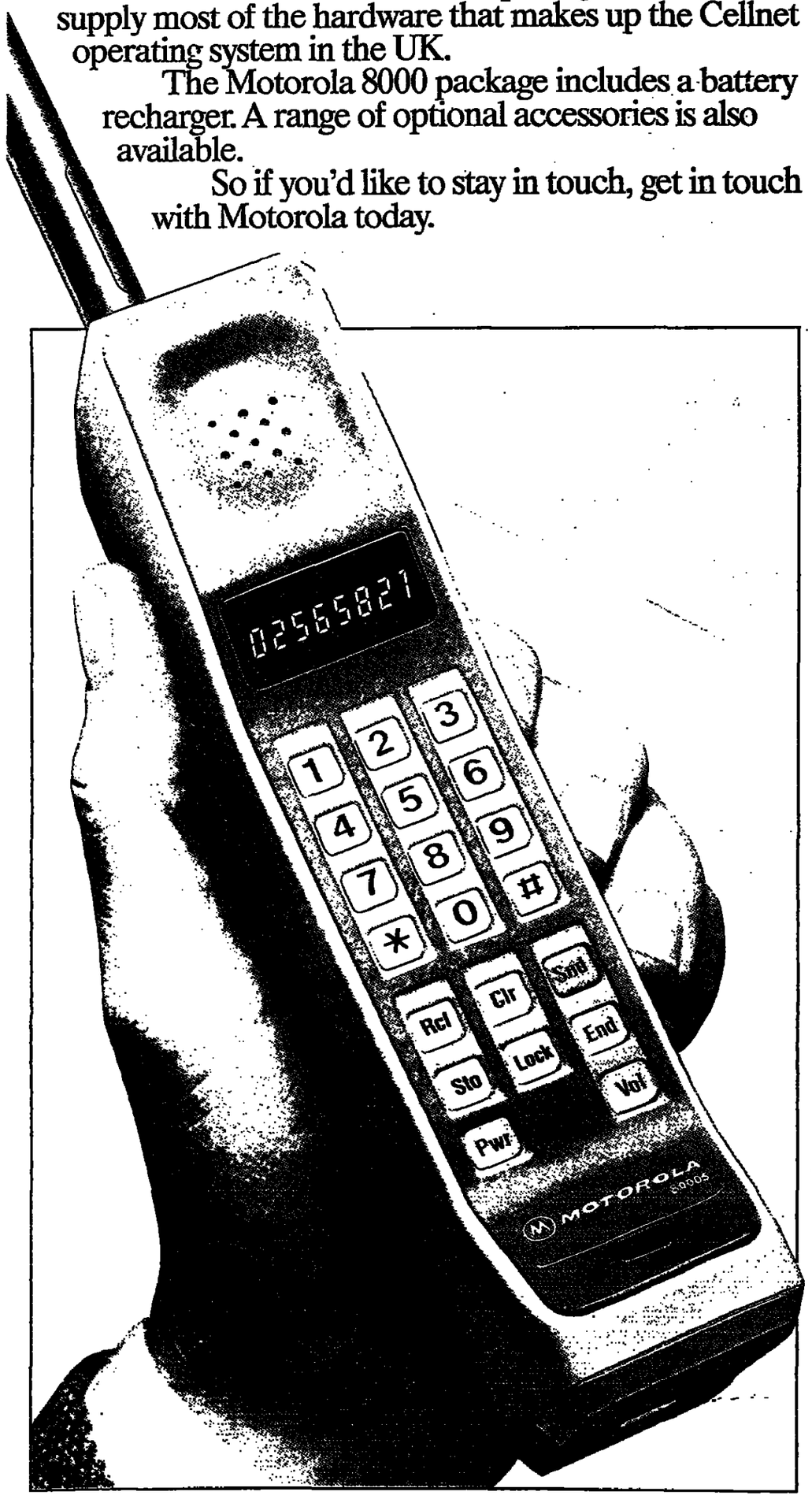
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Kohl warns of Soviet risks

From John England
Mainz

The "new dynamic" of Soviet foreign policies under Mr Mikhail Gorbachov held chances of a closer cooperation between East and West, Chancellor Helmut Kohl said here yesterday.

While welcoming the Reykjavik summit between President Reagan and Mr Gorbachov in his keynote speech at the annual conference of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU), Herr Kohl noted that the new Soviet policies around the world held risks.

Nevertheless, they also presented chances that could lead to greater understanding, cooperation and, above all, important results in disarmament and arms controls.

"We shall use every opportunity, based on our national and alliance interests, to develop our relations with our Eastern neighbours at all levels," he stated.

Herr Kohl told the conference that West German voters were faced with two choices in the forthcoming January elections.

"They will decide if we shall continue the work of renewal, or if the Federal Republic will take the path of withdrawal from practically everything that in the past decades has guaranteed us freedom, security and affluence," he said.

The elections, he said, were about whether West Germany could maintain its place among the leading industrial nations beyond the turn of the century.

"We are the government party, and we want to remain so," the Chancellor remarked. "We have done good work, and we want to continue it."

Almost echoing Mrs Thatcher's "we are going up" message in Bournemouth this week, Herr Kohl told the 780 delegates: "It is going upwards in Germany. It should stay so."

In a sharp attack on the Social Democratic Party (SPD), Herr Kohl said: "We have the future in view. The SPD wants to return to the policies of yesterday." He said the SPD had learnt nothing from their four years in opposition. They would make the old mistakes again — only further to the left and much more dogmatically.

Herr Kohl promised West Germans an eight-point post-election programme that gave priority to providing better chances for families, better pensions for the old, tax reforms to encourage private initiative and greater flexibility on working hours to help fight unemployment.

Progress in science and technology would be pursued in order to serve people, not the other way around, Herr Kohl added.

With an eye on terrorism, he said state authority would also be strengthened.

West Germany would remain closely tied to the Western alliance while continuing its efforts towards East-West dialogue. The main goal was the reunification of Germany in a free and united Europe, he asserted.

Dr Heiner Geissler, the CDU's general-secretary, will table today the party's "Manifesto for the future" which sets its goals into the 1990s.



Herr Kohl acknowledging the applause of delegates at the CDU party congress yesterday

Britain now 'thinks Europe' Chalker tells EEC critics

From Richard Owen
Strasbourg

Against a background of mid-term criticism of Britain's handling of some issues during its presidency of the EEC, which ends in December, Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, yesterday offered a robust defence of Britain's European credentials.

She said important changes going on in Europe reflected in part "an evolution in Britain's attitude to the Community", and suggested that the 1980s would be seen as the decade in which "we stopped talking about the British problem."

The EEC summit in London in December would endorse the British strategy for reducing unemployment in Europe and creating jobs and enterprise through the completion of the internal market, Mrs Chalker said.

Britain took over the presidency of the EEC Council of Ministers from The Netherlands in July, and will hand it over to Belgium in January. The performance of British ministers in the chair has been praised, not least in resolving budgetary issues.

In her address at the European Parliament yesterday to the Kangaroo Group, a pressure group for the abolition of barriers to movement and trade, Mrs Chalker noted that at their meeting in London last month, EEC interior ministers had agreed to fight terrorism "not by turning our backs on the goal of freer movement, but by better intelligence, tighter visa arrangements and improved extradition procedures."

But Britain has come under fire over two hotly-contested European issues: sanctions against South Africa and cheaper air fares in Europe.

Last month, Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary and President of the Council of Ministers, presided over a package of limited sanctions against Pretoria which was widely viewed as a tame compromise and harshly criticized by states such as The Netherlands and Denmark.

When foreign ministers of the Twelve meet at the end of this month in Luxembourg, Sir Geoffrey will come under renewed pressure to take a more active stand in favour of tougher sanctions to match those imposed by the US Congress.

On air fares, there is disappointment at the watering down of the commitment made only last month by Mr John Moore, the Transport Minister, to tackle "unjust" price and route-fixing cartels.

At a special EEC meeting in London last week, Mr Moore was able only to secure agreement on a "first step" towards deregulation of air transport by 1992, and the Dutch — who campaigned for liberalization during their presidency earlier this year — went so far as to boycott the meeting. Mr Tony Venables, director of the EEC Consumer Group, BEUC, accused Britain of a sell-out to the airlines.

Yesterday, Mrs Chalker insisted that whatever the difficulties in foreign affairs, the prospects for effective steps toward a genuine internal market by the target date of 1992 were promising, and the outlook for the British presidency was bright.

EEC officials say the timetable for internal market decisions to reduce trade barriers has slipped badly and, of 100 directives which should have been approved by the end of the year, fewer than 50 are likely to be passed.



Mrs Chalker: defending Britain's credentials.

Mellor urges EEC to move on drug abuse

From Our Own Correspondent, Strasbourg

Britain yesterday proposed an EEC plan to fight the growing menace of drug abuse to be put before EEC interior ministers when they meet in London on October 20.

At the same time, a report from the European Parliament said the EEC should reduce drug trafficking by subsidising Third World farmers to grow non-narcotic crops.

Sir Jack Stewart-Clark, Conservative MEP for Sussex East, who chaired the parliament's Committee of Inquiry into drug abuse in Europe, said that EEC contributions to the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control would enable growers "without dramatic loss of income" to switch to alternative crops which the EEC could undertake to buy.

Presenting the results of the inquiry, Sir Jack called for increased controls at Europe's external frontiers, especially in Spain and Portugal, "in view of the Latin-American connection."

Mr David Mellor, Minister of State at the Home Office, who recently toured Latin America to investigate the drug problem at first hand, put forward his own seven-point plan in an address to the Parliament, although this did not contain the Parliament's own proposal for subsidized alternative crops.

Mr Mellor said his plan was intended to give the EEC "the distinct role" in combating drug abuse. It includes effective controls at EEC external frontiers so that internal frontiers between states can be relaxed; effective laws in all EEC states to punish traffickers and police and anti-drug squad co-operation.

There would also be joint assessments by EEC ambassadors in drug-producing countries; some guarantee that EEC aid to Third World countries would take account of those countries' efforts against drug abuse; a collective strategy for reducing demand for drugs among the young and improved treatment and rehabilitation for addicts.

Sir Jack Stewart-Clark said there were one-and-a-half million heroin addicts in EEC countries and drugs-related offences accounted for half of all arrests in Europe.

He also pointed out that the drugs trade had a world-wide value of £200 billion.

Ugandan ministers charged

Kampala (Reuter) — Three Ugandan cabinet ministers and 17 other people were charged with treason yesterday in the Kampala Chief Magistrate's court.

Mr Aloysius Liiga, Chief Magistrate, said the three, Mr Andrew Kayiira (Energy), Mr David Lwanga (Environment) and Mr Evaristo Nyanzi (Commerce), had plotted to overthrow the Government by force of arms. The conspirators had drawn up military plans for the execution of the plot, he added.

The other accused include Mr Paulo Muwanga, the former Vice-President of Uganda, and seven serving soldiers, ranging in rank from private to commander.

Mr Muwanga and two of the soldiers were absent from the courtroom in central Kampala.

Mr Liiga said the conspiracy covered a period from August 20 to Friday, when security men of President Yoweri Museveni's National Resistance Army (NRA) began rounding up suspects with the arrest of Mr Kayiira after breaking up a secret meeting of Uganda Freedom Army soldiers.

The magistrate remanded the men in custody in Luzira maximum security jail until October 21. A Government statement at the weekend accused the ministers, and the 17 others, of encouraging rebels attacking NRA positions in northern Uganda.

Athens stands firm against Turks in EEC

From Mario Modiano
Athens

Greece is determined to block Turkey's full membership of the EEC unless it complies with conditions laid down by Athens, Mr Karolos Papoulias, the Foreign Minister said yesterday.

The conditions included full respect for human rights, an end to threats to Greek integrity, withdrawal of troops from Cyprus, revocation of discriminatory legislation against Greeks in Turkey, and an end to opium production and trafficking.

Angola seeks image boost

Angola's Marxist Government has approached a British public relations firm to improve its image in the West and fight a sophisticated propaganda war against Dr Jonas Savimbi, the guerrilla leader. (Nicholas Beeston writes).

The company, Pielle, is expected to finalize an agreement soon. A prime objective will be to improve quality and speed of Government reports.

Spanish Opposition members quit

By Richard Wigg, Madrid

The sad spectacle of Spain's right-wing Opposition, led by Señor Manuel Fraga, tearing itself apart continued yesterday as Señor Jorge Verstrynge, former party secretary general, and three other prominent MPs, announced they were leaving the party.

Señor Fraga, struggling against daily bad news which yesterday saw the party's youth wing in Valencia quit, likened himself to Julius Caesar, with his former political protege of more than a decade cast as Brutus.

As rumours grew that the 63-year-old Opposition leader might also be considering quitting Señor Fraga observed: "I would prefer to die like Don Quixote rather than like a traitor."

Señor Verstrynge accused Señor Fraga of leading an Opposition which was really "under the protectorate of a socialist government".

He and his colleagues would try, he said, to work for a new grouping of non-socialist forces, joining the so-called mixed group which sits in the middle of Parliament. This already includes 21 Christian Democrats who broke away from Señor Fraga after the June general election. Señor Fraga's party now numbers 80 and the socialists 184.

Peres hands over with announcement of new Jordan peace talks

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Negotiations between Israel and Jordan are now under way "via the US" to prepare for direct talks between the two countries, Mr Shimon Peres, the outgoing Prime Minister told the Knesset in his farewell address yesterday.

The negotiations are aimed at changingthe Jordan into "a river that waters the fields of farmers not a rift of endless quarrels and threats".

Mr Peres devoted the bulk of his speech to the international scene, which will be his responsibility after he changes jobs next week with Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the current Foreign Minister.

The speech set out agreed policy for domestic economic growth, for boosting immigration and it smoothed over the thorny question of whether to increase the number of settlements in the occupied territories. At home, Mr Peres implied, things would continue along the path he had ordained. Abroad, he would be in charge.

His central theme was how to open negotiations with the Arabs. Jordan, he said, could not join any negotiations without "an international forum" and that was why he had agreed to this to get talks started.

"To the best of our knowledge, Jordan has also agreed that an international forum is not intended to replace direct negotiations but to support them," he said for the benefit of Mr Shamir, who has attacked the idea of an international conference. Since the speech had been discussed in advance between the two men it would appear that Mr Shamir now accepts the idea of an international forum.

Mr Peres said that Israel would be prepared to negotiate with "authentic representatives" of the Palestinians. They would be "representatives with opinions, but without pistols, without threats, without dictates".

The way to peace was tortuous, but it was not blocked. "Two sides are needed for peace. There is no such thing as one-sided peace.

"But peace has a third side as well. The side of tomorrow, of tomorrow's generation. Will we bequeath them only the sword? It is our duty to leave behind the chance for a different tomorrow, a tomorrow of hope, a tomorrow of peace for all people that dwell in our region."

It was a proud speech. It began with a gloomy description of the State of Israel when he assumed the leadership of the coalition government 25 months ago.

"We stood on the brink of economic collapse. We were mired in the Lebanese bog. Worst of all there were those whose faith in the country had been shaken.

"We launched a new era, the era of an Israel that once more lives in stability and with hope, an era of mutual tolerance, of vigorous initiative and new style, an era of stable economy; an era in which we no longer need to demonstrate our strength to the world by means of boastfulness and demonstration."

Mr Peres was boasting but Mr Shamir, smiling from the front bench, did not mind. Next week he will be in charge. At the next election in two years' time he could well dismiss Mr Peres as yesterday's man.

American Reykjavik briefing for China

Peking (Reuter) — The United States Defence Secretary, Mr Caspar Weinberger, flew here last night to brief Chinese leaders on the forthcoming US-Soviet summit meeting in Iceland and to bolster growing military and scientific ties between Washington and Peking.

"We will be talking to them about some of the things that will be taken up in Iceland as they relate to Asian security," Mr Weinberger told reporters at the start of his four-day visit.

An American official said the Chinese were anxious for a reduction in the number of medium-range Soviet SS 20 missiles targeted on Asia.

Mr Weinberger said he would seek China's ideas on the Reykjavik summit.

The Defence Secretary also intended to brief Chinese leaders on the "Star Wars" anti-missile defence programme and to discuss further arms and military technology transfers to Peking.

He met his Chinese opposite number, MrZhang Aiping, and the Army Chief of Staff, General Yang Dezhi, briefly last night.

Mr Weinberger is scheduled to hold further talks with Mr Zhang today and expects to deliver a personal message from President Reagan to Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese leader, tomorrow.

The US has taken a limited role in China's military modernization drive, including aid for a new artillery plant and MK 46 anti-submarine torpedoes. Washington has also offered to sell China $500 million (£345 million) worth of sophisticated avionics for Chinese-built F8 fighters.

"The basic things that they want are known and they are being carried out," he told reporters. "We try to do everything as quickly as we can."

Mr Weinberger's arrival came a day after the resumption of talks in Peking between Chinese and Soviet ministers on improving Sino-Soviet relations.

He said he had seen no indication that the Soviet Union had moved to meet three Chinese demands in order to have better relations. These were Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan, Soviet pressure on Vietnam to leave Cambodia, and a reduction of forces along the Sino-Soviet border.

"Thus far, we have had a little (Soviet) rhetoric, but no action," Mr Weinberger said.

The Defence Secretary said he also intended to discuss a proposal for US naval ship visits to China, but emphasized that no final agreement had been struck.

Administration officials told reporters that no military agreements or deals were expected to be signed during Mr Weinberger's visit, which will include a trip on Friday to China's space facility at Xichang, and to Kunming, in south-west China, near the Vietnamese border.

Japanese outcasts speak out

From Davis Watts
Tokyo

With his permed hair swept back from finely cut features Mr K might be any Japanese company man. Only the rather loud striped suit that no big company would tolerate marks him as different.

But then dress is the least of Mr K's problems. He has little chance of getting work with many sizeable Japanese companies anyway because he is one of the country's Buraku outcasts. For fear of further acts of discrimination against him as a member of the Burakumin Liberation League he asked foreign correspondents yesterday to use only the first letter of his family name and not to take photographs.

Mr K and his fellow activists, who speak for several million Buraku in 6,000 communities throughout Japan, are worried that the Government is about to try to curtail their movement when laws to help the Buraku expire next spring.

Their fears have been reinforced by the recent controversial statements of both Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Prime Minister, on the allegedly low educational levels of American minorities, and the former Education Minister, Mr Masayuki Fujio, who was dismissed by Mr Nakasone after he said the Korean élite connived in the annexation of their country by Japan.

"They are about to undertake policies similar to those used to suppress the Levellers (the precursor of the present organization) before the war," a lawyer for the movement, Mr Suneo Murakoshi, said.

Mr Fujio had "taken up the banner of war, aggression and racial discrimination. I was extremely happy when I saw that Nakasone fired Fujio ... However, Nakasone revealed he himself is exactly the same kind of racist.

"I never thought that there would be discrimination against Burakumin in ... Tokyo. Working hard and building a home was my dream ... The neighbours told me 'non-persons shouldn't be building a house'."

Anti-Buraku posters are pasted up round his house, and his children face discrimination at school. Anonymous letters come to the house warning that no one will marry his children.

Few Buraku contemplate court action because it means their history will be researched before any hearing, reinforcing their problem.

This threat is the one that hurts most. Under the Japanese system of family registrations, everyone's background is recorded and available for inspection at town halls. In recent years the Government has restricted access to these records, but handbooks circulate among companies giving the names of families and areas from which the Buraku originate, making it difficult for them to escape their background or to get jobs.

The Burakumin class dates from the 16th and 17th centuries, when the Shogunate delineated four principal classes: warriors, farmers, craftsmen and merchants, with the Buraku at the bottom in jobs no one else wanted, such as butchers, tanners, scavengers and executioners.

The classes were abolished with the emergence of Japan as a modern state from 1868, but persecution persisted up to the Second World War. It was not until 1955 that the problems of this minority was recognized. Measures for their relief were brought in but did little to remove the stigma.



The Duke of Edinburgh being greeted by the British Ambassador to Japan, Sir Sydney Giffard, after his arrival in Tokyo yesterday. Prince Philip, who is president of the International Equestrian Federation, will attend a meeting of the federation's directors, which opens today. He will also have lunch with Emperor Hirohito and visit Tokyo racecourse during his six-day unofficial visit before leaving for China on Sunday to join the Queen on her official visit there.

Teacher describes torture

By Caroline Moorehead

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE

Bangladesh

A middle-aged teacher in the Chittagong Hill tracts in south-east Bangladesh, who cannot for his own safety be identified, has described being tortured by soldiers seeking information about the Shanti Bahini, an armed tribal group in conflict with Government forces since the mid-1970s.

During his detention the teacher said he was kicked, beaten with rifle butts, thrown into a deep pit of boiling water and hung upside down from a tree. Six months after his release scars were still visible on his body.

Another villager from the same area alleged that he had been burnd with lighted cigarettes and at least one man is thought to have died as a result of torture.

These men are amonghundreds of unarmed tribal vilagers believed to have been killed or tortured in the past 10 years. Thirty are known to be serving sentences of up to seven years for "waging or attempting to wage war or abetting waging of war against Bangladesh", though the number is certainly far higher.

Dozens more have been picked up and held for interrogation for days or weeks

According to Amnesty International's new report, *Bangladesh: Unlawful Killings and Torture in the Chittagong Hill Tracts*, this brutality increased sharply in the spring of this year.

Successive governments, the report says, have tried to resettle people from other areas of Bangladesh in the sparsely populated but fertile Chittagong Hill tracts, while rejecting demands from the 13 main tribes who inhabit the area for any kind of autonomy.

From the mid-1970s onwards the Shanti Bahini, the armed wing of the Chittagong Hill Tracts People's Solidarity Association, took to attacking military forces in the area, as well as non-tribal settlers, provoking brutal reprisals by law enforcement officials.

In May Reuters said some 6,500 people, tribal and non-tribal, had been killed in 12 years.

Early in 1986 Amnesty International received reports of an increase in clashes between the army and Shanti Bahini, leading to yet more incidents of reprisal against unarmed tribal villagers.

Two hundred tribal people, attempting to flee into India, were shot at at random by soldiers and many were killed. Other villagers, held at army and para-military camps, were tortured. Amnesty International is now calling on the Bangladesh Government to set up an independent commission and to make public its findings.

Bangladesh: Unlawful Killings and Torture in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (Amnesty International, 5 Roberts Place, London EC1R 0EJ. £2.50).

Rebels kidnap five workers in Suriname

Paramaribo(AP) — The Suriname Government reported that rebel guerrillas kidnapped five plantation workers over the weekend.

Authorities said the attackers, believed directed by former army private Ronny Brunshijk, struck a zone near the French Guiana border, abducting employees of the privately owned Patamacca Oil Palm Plantation.

The guerrillas set fire to living quarters and service buildings on a plantation in Suriname's Marowijne region, the Government said. The Post Office, a police station, 10 homes and other installations were also damaged by fire.

The Government-run Suriname News Agency estimated damage to a warehouse alone at $1.5 million (£1.03 million).

Guerrillas bring writers back safely to Thailand

From Neil Kelly
Bangkok

Khmer Rouge guerrillas, who went into Cambodia to rescue two Western journalists, one of them wounded, brought them back safely to Thailand yesterday.

Three weeks ago David Nason, aged 32, of Darwin and Robert Korniol, aged 35, of Canada, with 100 Khmer Peoples National Liberation Front (KPNLF) guerrillas, went to Cambodia to report on the guerrilla war.

The operation was called off after three days because Vietnamese forces ambushed the group. The Khmer Rouge, the only effective arm of the anti-Vietnamese resistance, was then called in to rescue them.

The Australian Embassy in Bangkok said the Khmer Rouge had provided medical aid and other assistance which had enabled the journalists to get back safely. The two men are now undergoing medical treatment.



David Nason: receiving treatment for his injuries.

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Afghans reject guerrilla offer of one-for-10 prisoner swap

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

A column of Russian lorries took a wrong turning in the Paghman district of Afghanistan, close to the capital, Kabul, and was promptly ambushed by a gang of Mujahidin, according to what Western diplomats here call "a reliable diplomatic source".

The Afghan guerrillas, fighting to drive the Soviet troops out of their country, captured 150 Russians in the battle and led them off to a possibly painful captivity. They let the authorities know that they would be prepared to release them, however, in exchange for Mujahidin prisoners in Afghan jails. They said they would release one Russian in exchange for 10 guerrilla fighters.

Diplomats in Delhi reported yesterday that the Afghan Government turned the offer down, saying they would agree to an exchange only on a one-for-one basis. Negotiations are continuing. In the meantime, the rebels have captured another two Russians — this time commissioned officers — in the middle of last week.

The incidents were part of a continuing series of heavy clashes in the Paghman area, as the Afghan authorities try to drive the Mujahidin out of the district from which they launch their major attacks on the capital. The fighting spread last week to the Shomali Valley, to the north of Kabul, as well.

Diplomats reported witnessing one engagement in which 32 MI8 and MI24 helicopters bombed and strafed the lower ridges of the Paghman range south-west of Shakhadara. MI8s were seen landing briefly, while pairs of MI24s gave covering fire. Overhead an Antonov-26 circled, presumably acting as a mobile command post. The diplomats also saw incoming rockets landing among a group of Government vehicles parked on the plain between Karga Lake and the hills.

The fighting has not so far been able to prevent the Mujahidin from operating within Kabul. Before the departure of the Russian first deputy Prime Minister, Mr Vsevolod Murakhovski, who was welcomed to Kabul with a massive car bomb explosion, another container stuffed with explosives was discovered by the police guarding the route his motorcade took each morning.

Reports also began to come in this week of the heavy fighting around the western Afghan city of Herat. A diplomatic report described intense fighting in the city itself and in western Herat province.



Thai soldiers using flamethrowers to burn marijuana plants in northern Thailand. The campaign to eradicate the drug is supported by funds from the United States.

More belt-tightening news for Danes

From Christopher Follett
Copenhagen

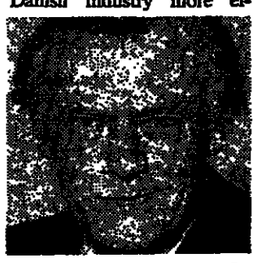
Danes have been prescribed yet another powerful dose of austerity after the Government imposed its third tough economic package within a year in an effort to quench raging domestic consumption and curb the runaway deterioration in Denmark's balance of payments deficit.

The new austerity package was announced yesterday by Mr Poul Schluter, the Conservative Prime Minister.

Its main measures are restrictions on domestic consumer lending in the form of new taxes on bank loans for private consumption, coupled with an increase in energy taxation designed to counterbalance the fall in oil prices. A minimum 30 per cent downpayment is to be introduced for goods bought on hire purchase with new state levies of between 4 and 12 per cent on credit cards and interest-free shopping accounts.

The measures are to be offset by savings incentives. Private savings for buying houses and funding for education will qualify for supplementary interest payments of 4 per cent by the state.

A pension reform is also envisaged. In addition the Government is to instigate a programme of action to make Danish industry more efficient and competitive in foreign markets.



Mr Schluter: austerity package announced

"Denmark is one of the richest countries in the world," the Prime Minister said in his address, "but we consume more than we earn. We are the nation in the West with the highest foreign debt per inhabitant. This is totally unacceptable."

According to Danish Government estimates, last year's record balance of payments deficit of 28,000 million kroner (£2,600 million) is likely to be exceeded in 1986, and Denmark's foreign debt is now over 250,000 million kroner.

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An Indo-Chinese puzzle

Peking helicopter activity on border angers opposition

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

Anti-government politicians and other commentators have been trying to whip up a fine fervour over an alleged Chinese intrusion into Indian territory.

The Chinese Army has built a helicopter landing ground only just south of the McMahon line, which India regards as its border, and has started to build huts close by, plainly intending to turn it into an all-weather base.

The Indian Government response to what the newspapers have called "this grave provocation" has been surprisingly mild, if not confused.

When the news was first broken by the chief minister of the north-eastern territory of Arunachal Pradesh, in whose district it fell, Mr P Shiv Shankar, the Foreign Minister, denied in Parliament that it had happened. A junior minister admitted some days later that the helipad indeed existed.

Indian External Affairs Ministry officials were at that time engaged in talks in Peking over border issues, but they did not raise the matter.

The border with China (or with Tibet, which these days amounts to the same thing) has never been satisfactorily agreed.

The line to which Sir Henry McMahon put his signature and lent his name during the Simla conference of 1914 — roughly the watershed line of the Himalaya range — was said by Pandit Nehru in 1959 to be "the firm frontier by treaty, firm by usage, firm by geography".

The Prime Minister was wrong. The McMahon line was never accepted by China, particularly in the north-eastern sector of the frontier and three years later the two countries went to war over it.

India also quarrelled with its northern neighbour when the latter built a road linking Sinkiang and Tibet through Aksai Chin at the western end of the line. Indian maps have shown Aksai Chin within India since 1954, even though it was at that time under Chinese control.

The Indian press manages to keep up a chauvinistic attitude to this territory too, although more academic commentators, such as the late Mr K P S Menon, have pointed out that "the watershed principle on which we have heavily relied in other sectors of the frontier is, in the Aksai Chin area, not in our favour".

Moreover Aksai Chin is of no importance to India whereas it is of the utmost importance to China because it is the link between two historically troublesome regions, Tibet and Sinkiang.

There is little chance that the Indians will risk another war with China by trying to drive the Chinese out of Arunachal and since 1981 there have been seven rounds of negotiations on the border issue which seem to have got nowhere.

India has sought to discuss the border disagreements on a sector by sector basis, seeking a number of concessions on the Ladakh border in the west.

While China has appeared to go along with this it is clear to observers here that what China really wants is some trade-off. "We will accept the McMahon line in the eastern sector," the Chinese appear to be saying, "so long as you accept that Aksai Chin is ours in the west."

The Chinese are reinforcing this pressure with a claim to almost the whole of Arunachal Pradesh, a territory under the direct control of the Indian Government, which until 1972 was known as the North-East Frontier Agency (Nefa).

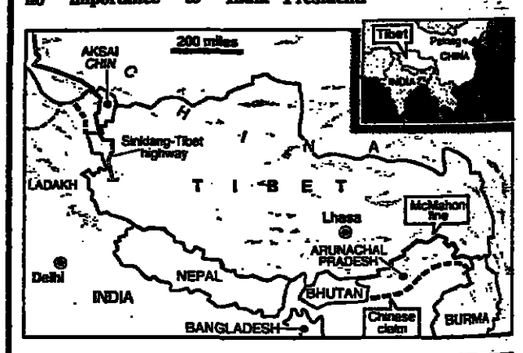
Peking, in pursuit of this policy refused to grant a visa to an MP from Arunachal, and followed this up by lodging a protest against the participation of Arunachal athletes in the 1982 Asian Games in Delhi.

There may also be some genuine excuse for the Chinese to have occupied the valley — the Sumdurong Chu valley — because the Sumdurong river is reported to have been changing course.

Since 1984 India has established a seasonal observation post on the south bank of the river. When they arrived there at the beginning of July this year they saw the place occupied by 100 Chinese soldiers, and observed three helicopters make a total of 39 landings in a day. They tactfully withdrew.

There is now an uncomfortable feeling that the Indians lack leverage against the Chinese, but commentators feel that even so the Government has been strangely lackadaisical about the issue.

The group of dissident Congress politicians led by Mr Pranab Mukherjee, the former finance minister, made a special point of attacking Government inactivity on this issue when they drew up a kind of charge-sheet against Mr Gandhi which was presented to the President.



Widows in pilgrimage to Jakarta

Jakarta (Reuter) — Twenty-four British war widows arrived in Jakarta yesterday to visit the graves of their husbands, most of whom died in Japanese prison camps on Java.

They will be taken to a cemetery in the Indonesian capital to look for the graves, which have never been visited before, the British Embassy said.

Since it is still not known if any funeral rites were performed at the time of their death a funeral service for the soldiers will be held on Thursday at the cemetery.

Ten of the widows will fly later to Ambon in the remote Molucca island chain for a similar visit to graves there.

The trip is being paid for by the British Ministry of Defence, which sponsored similar trips last year to Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and Burma, according to Major Mary Bloy, who is accompanying the group.

Some British soldiers were killed during the evacuation of Allied prisoners after the Second World War in clashes with Indonesian guerrillas resisting the return of the colony to the control of the Dutch.

Aquino is censured by Enrile

By Keith Dalton
Manila

Mr Juan Ponce Enrile, the Philippines Defence Minister, said yesterday that President Aquino forfeited her popular mandate to rule when she abolished the constitution and proclaimed a provisional charter

This explained increasing calls for a presidential election, Mr Enrile told a civic meeting. "If that is the national consensus, who am I to say no?"

Asked if he would be a contender, he said: "To tell you the truth, I have no more political plans." This drew laughter from an apparently disbelieving audience.

After the four-day civilian-backed military revolt brought her to power in February, Mrs Aquino took her oath of office under the 1973 martial law constitution and initially organized a constitutional government, Mr Enrile said.

"A month later she forfeited that mandate. She repudiated it. She threw it away by creating a revolutionary government and issuing a freedom constitution, which suggests that she abandoned the choice of the people."

Report angers Guyana

Georgetown (Reuter) — The Guyana Government has attacked a report by a local human rights group, accusing it of trying to smear the country's image.

The report, by the Guyana Human Rights Association, was "clearly calculated to smear the country, project a negative image and undermine public confidence," a Government statement said.

The report, released last week, criticized the human rights situation during President Desmond Hoyte's first year in power. It alleged fraudulent general elections in 1985, intolerance of criticism, attacks on organized religion and the reintroduction of the death penalty.

Other complaints included police brutality and shortages of basic foods and medicines.

Another egg race

TELEVISION

Most of us go to work on an egg. Some have to work under one. In her first screen role, in a high-school film, Madonna had one fried on her stomach. However, judging from reports from America, her latest film, Shanghai Surprise, which also stars her husband Sean Penn, is her left pop's sneer of the ultimate put with the egg all over her face. Unfortunately, Hand Made, a Tales special on Channel 4, is a low-key account of the making of the film, and the making of this, did little to remove any chewing gum from what Harry Dean Stanton described in a recent interview with her as "the most beautiful woman in the world".

The subject was tailor-made for The Tales cocks, cynical magazine which allows their interviewers to drop clangers into microphones as well as their interviewees in it. Reports of the troubles on the set are already covered screen goddesses. This summer the goddesses did battle with Madonna and her "monkey brain" husband, poisoned pens vilified "the possessed Penns" for being "the possessed Penns" for they were affectionately dubbed. Furthermore, the report by the couple to be interviewed by Paula Yates for the programme was an open invitation for at least some publicity ribbing. What we got, however, was a promotional film for Shanghai Surprise. Until the sleek, many-costumed Ms Yates almost professional in her approach, unknown presentation. Barely a fluff, certainly no flak.

No doubt this tame approach had nothing to do with the fact that Hand Made, the company responsible for Shanghai Surprise, were also co-producers with Tyne-Tees Television of Hand Made in Hong Kong. More forgivable was Paula Yates's sympathy for George Harrison, the embarrassed but still humorous and well-mannered rabbit-shooter on the set. Hand Made, however, did Madonna no good by showing many clips from their films, all of which enhanced their reputation as actors. Ms Madonna's Italianate hitchiness, when compared to the oriental beauty on display, suggested that Harry Stanton's judgement has been somewhat warped by love at his own, screened, glass frown in the mirror. Then he does not often get it with the sunny side up.

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Andrew Hislop

Striving for integrity

Massage
Lyric Studio

THEATRE

What with a Lorca in the main house and now a new Michael (*Rents*) Wilcox in the Studio, it is turning out a gay old autumn in Hammersmith. Gay young, rather, for Mr Wilcox's three-hander takes an intelligent excursion into what Gilbert Adair has called "our sole surviving blasphemy" — paedophilia.

Dodge is a failed bicycle builder who strikes up with a divorcee journalist on holiday in Benidorm. Her nine-year-old son accepts him as a father-substitute, he responds in kind, and on a subsequent camping holiday the boy initiates a sexual relationship which continues sporadically for three years. This unnatural tale is told to a young masseur called Rikki who calls at Dodge's *shop to perform his* professional function, only to be seated at table and ordered to eat a parodic birthday feast.

A cocky product of a children's home who describes himself as "a successful, qualified, upwardly mobile rent boy", Rikki takes all this in his stride while casting a covetous eye over the spanking new bike in the workshop. Rikki evinces the unbending morality common to all prostitutes: *he earns his living by* supplying "extras" on top of the straight massages for which he is nominally hired, but is revolted by paedophilia. As he later confesses, he has his own personal reasons for this attitude, and paints a future for himself wherein, as the father of a large family, he would happily kill anyone who laid a finger on his sons.

Into this already odd situation bursts Jane. Dodge's former lover, who has forbidden *her son further contact with* him (hence the substitute birthday boy), and who now comes hot-foot for evidence of criminality, which she hopes to collect with a hidden tape recorder.

This may well sound an impossible position for Mr Wilcox *to resolve* — and indeed some of the transitions of mood and motivation betray a certain jerkiness, as though from over-editing — but his production is a showcase of judiciously underplayed naturalistic acting, of the sort where you have to look round to make sure you are in fact in a theatre. The explosions of violence are especially well realized.

David Allister plays Dodge as a man who, though ruled by his weaknesses, strives to establish the integrity of his love. Pamela Merrick's Jane is nicely uncontrolled, and Dexter Fletcher (familiar perhaps as the young Caravaggio in Derek Jarman's film) is perfectly cast as the acute, sly, mercenary masseur.

Martin Cropper

Donald Cooper



Perfect casting: Dexter Fletcher (top) and David Allister in *Massage*

Principia Scriptoriae
The Pit

Writers, Sartre once said, should welcome physical danger as a corrective to their over-privileged existence; and I think the American playwright Richard Nelson would agree with that, judging from this biting study of artistic citizenship.

It is a large and wearisomely debatable subject which Mr Nelson succeeds in pinning *down through a story*, beginning in 1970, of two young writers flung into the gaol of a South American military dictatorship for distributing anti-government leaflets. One is a Cambridge-educated local boy; the other, a fast-talking American brat, with dreams of having his autobiographical novel published by *City Lights*, and who is only in the country because Cuba was too expensive.

Americans are held to be deficient in the sense of irony; but there could be nothing more savagely ironic than the sight of Ernesto and Bill moving through successive stages of anxiety and panic to physical torture, while above them each scene carries captions like "Choose Your Setting Carefully" and "Remember It's 99% Perspiration" gleaned from a manual for aspiring writers.

In a mood of intense disgust, western egotistic careerism is put on the block; and finally the two bleeding boys comfort each other by swapping quotations from the Anglo-Saxon *Seafarer*. In extreme situations, real literature does count for something.

The action then moves on 15 years to a post-revolutionary version of the same setting. Now it is the dictatorship's former Spanish ambassador (a poet) who is under arrest; and a committee for human rights are trying to secure his release. Here, we are confronted with a different kind of betrayal. The chairman of the committee is a narcissistic old fraud, more keen on luxury hotels and self-publicizing than on the art he is supposed to be defending. To his opponent, the local minister of culture, likewise, art is an irrelevance in deciding matters of political crime. Why should corrupt poets go free, and not unknown citizens whose illiteracy is political crime in another form?

Ernesto and Bill reappear in the second act of David Jones's production, but only as marginal figures; and the development of the piece is carried much more by close-packed argument and the ironies of history than by continuity of characters. Still, with performances as scorching as those of Anton Lesser and Sean Baker it is good to see them return as ghosts of the former regime, meeting their match in Clive Merrison as a political adversary no less in the grip of a hideous past.

Irving Wardle

Così fan tutte
Bunko Kaikan, Tokyo

OPERA

Tokyo wanted Mozart, and His Imperial Highness Prince Hiro wanted to see it too. So *Così fan tutte* it was for the last first night in the final week of the Royal Opera's tour of the Far East; and the silks and kimonos were out in force.

The entry of Kiri te Kanawa into a cast otherwise identical to that in London at the end of last season drew a capacity audience: Tokyo's millions of audio systems have been tuning in to her voraciously, and this was her first and long-awaited operatic appearance here. If the thunderous applause and yelps of delight were anything to go by, she did not disappoint.

It is quintessential Kiri: her first words, "ah guarda sorella", breathed out like a summer wind, and her ready warmth of communication turning to advantage the tendancy to sing ahead of the beat. The production, staged for the tour by Jeremy Sutcliffe, is not, after all, one which probes too deeply into character or into the opera's shadows. Dame Kiri's stage presence was resonant enough in the set's nicely sympathetic environment of silhouetted volcanic mountain, screens which slid and fans which fluttered.

There were times, though, when she really did need a firmer hand than Gabriele Ferro was able to give her. The pit is deep in this theatre, which was not purpose-built for opera; but the consistent sense of unease went beyond shaky ensemble and corner-turnings to an underlying insecurity of tempo. Mr Ferro seemed to lack any deeply considered overview of the work's dramatic and musical pacing. Too much was left to free-wheel and, with the exception of Walter Berry's staunch Don Alfonso, the cast is rather young to cope with *such erratic changes of gear*.

John Aler, for instance, needed all the help he could get in phrasing his Ferrando, though William Shimell's Guglielmo is getting stronger still and can pretty much stand, angrily, on its own two feet. Anne-Sofie von Otter, a Dorabella more intelligent than her flouncy looks, knew exactly where she was going and stood firmly by her own entirely musical decisions.

There is no doubt that the choice of conductors has been the weak link on this leg of the tour. Mark Ermler, too, who took over the baton for the *Carmen* which Noël Goodwin reviewed earlier in Seoul, provided a dull, featureless backcloth for the triumphal *return of the previously* indisposed José Carreras as Don José. But the Royal Opera videos are being snapped up, and there is already talk of a return visit.

Hilary Finch

Fires of London
Elizabeth Hall

CONCERTS

From Stone to Thorn, most luminous of Maxwell Davies's vocal gems from Orkney, was sadly dropped from this programme, which left Jill Gomez's contribution rather to one side, as a recital within the recital.

Her choice of four of Schoenberg's cabaret songs for the Überbretl, accompanied by Stephen Pruslin, found a few surprising coincidences with the more high-born lieder Schoenberg had recently composed: that was one advantage of a style of delivery that avoided putting on the Isherwood, which would in any case be dubiously appropriate for the Berlin of 1901-03, though perhaps more could *have been made of the* connection with *Pierrot lunaire*, whose world is evoked at least by the text of "Der genügsame Liebhaber". In Berg's Seven Early Songs Miss Gomez offered a performance beautifully studied in colour and phrasing, but the piano version always sounds like a transcription (which it almost certainly was), and perhaps her intelligence and insight would have been better rewarded in the Op 2 set.

The Fires of London were left to lavish their own care, under scrupulous direction from Nicholas Cleobury, on three instrumental scores, including two septets by Russians. Fortunately these were maximally separated in the programme, or else Stravinsky's might have made Alfred Shnitke's sound slack and unfocused. As this spiky performance had one realizing afresh, Stravinsky uses an ensemble thoroughly within the Schubert-Brahms-Schoenberg *tradition of* chamber music without ever reminding one of that tradition: Shnitke does not have that kind of intense personality.

But his Septet of 1982 certainly has connections with his "St Florian" Symphony of two years before, for again it is filled with echoes of church music — plainsong fragments and chorales — in a design that seems to move in ignorance of them, notably impelled at one point by a minimalist ostinato. As so often, there are allusions to much other music, though it is hard to know whether the ghostly appearances of Copland and Davies are by invitation or merely the result of modal tunes being played by a small ensemble.

Paul Griffiths

Moscow PO/ Kitayenko
Festival Hall

It did not take many bars of Rachmaninov's Third Symphony for one to appreciate the Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra's chief asset, and the reason why this lush score had been chosen. The strings are superb: silky yet strong: drilled to unanimity, not only *in phrasing but in every* colouristic nuance. The soaring melodies in octaves were delivered with serene power, perfectly tuned. Virtuoso passages like the last movement's fugato were thrown off with *élan*, and more reticent sonorities were beautifully clear.

Unfortunately, great symphony orchestras cannot live by strings alone. I have rarely heard more raucous brass-playing than that which dominated — obliterated would perhaps be a truer description — the climaxes of Tchaikovsky's *Francesca da Rimini*. One could warm to the horns because their typically East European vibrato suited this repertoire, and the clarinet solo in *Francesca* was creamily delivered.

How can a conductor let so much that is beautiful co-exist with the coarse and mediocre in an orchestra he has now trained for a decade? Dmitri Kitayenko obviously rehearses thoroughly: the precision of ensemble was exemplary. Yet there were also paradoxes about his interpretations. He whipped up the hysteria in *Francesca* ferociously, but was strangely wooden handling the rubato in the symphony.

Nikolai Petrov was the soloist in Prokofiev's Second Piano Concerto, managing its complexities well. There was some discreet textural editing early on, but the great first movement cadenza was faithfully played and most lucidly shaped. Petrov's hard, glittering tone was ideal for propelling the frenetic Scherzo, and there was something heroic and granite-like about his gradual unleashing of power in the finale.

Richard Morrison

Keller Memorial
Wigmore Hall/ Radio 3

Even if you were a bosom friend, Hans Keller was the kind of person who, if he thought something you said or wrote was incorrect, would say so in blunt terms. At the same time he would offer a perceptive view of what was right. That perception was the key to his immense influence. He *fervently championed many* causes and, in this memorial concert, plenty of friends, composers and performers both, were there to be heard.

Of the latter, the young Mistry Quartet, whom Keller coached, provided the evening's most revealing experience with their reading of Haydn's String Quartet, Op 42. This was not merely neat and well controlled playing: it also oozed understanding, with each participant bending to the will of the music rather than the force of ego. That same quality was present also in Ida Haendel's tenacious performance, with Craig Sheppard at the piano, of Beethoven's C minor Violin Sonata, Op 30 No 2.

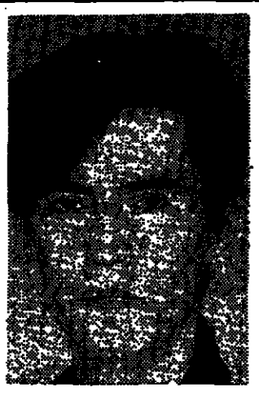
Those two composers might have needed no special promoting by Keller, though both benefited from his illuminating analyses. But we also heard music by three 20th-century figures, of whose greatness he was convinced, who did. One of them, his teacher Franz Schmidt, is still neglected, and the variations movement from the Quintet for clarinet, string trio and piano played here by Thea King, Peter Wallfisch and three-quarters of the Allegri Quartet was not really enough to give us much of an idea of him.

The other two composers, Schoenberg and Britten, have fared rather better. Schoenberg's Six Pieces, Op 19, spoke their epigrammatic messages effectively under the fingers of Susan Bradshaw. Britten's Third Quartet, dedicated to Keller and played warmly by the Allegri, meanwhile made *an apposite valediction for a* great man.

Stephen Pettitt

Tomorrow's opening of *The Phantom of the Opera* adds a new name to an eminent list of lyricists in Charles Hart (right): interview by Sheridan Morley

Exactly the type



Asked to explain what Tim Rice, Alan Ayckbourn, Don Black, Richard Stilgoe and T.S. Eliot have in common, it might not take even a casual London theatregoer too long to work out that all have had their words set to the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber. And with tomorrow's opening of *The Phantom of the Opera* at Her Majesty's there will be a new name to add to the select list of Webber lyricists, that of a 25-year-old Guildhall graduate who now shares with Richard Stilgoe the credit for the *Phantom* libretto.

Charles Hart, though unrelated to the Hart who was half of Rodgers and, does come from a suitably theatrical and operatic background in that his grandparents were Glen Byam Shaw and Angela Baddeley. The second child of an antiquarian bookseller, Hart went to school in Maidenhead and from there won a place at Cambridge to read music: "I never really thought of myself as a musician, though: I wanted to read modern languages and I always thought I'd end up as a Radio 3 announcer or maybe even a drama critic."

What saved him from such an appalling fate was the fact that he had always written lyrics as a child, so that, when his grandmother went into the London production of *A Little Night Music* a decade ago, Hart began to think seriously about the musical theatre:

"When I was at the Guildhall I sent a tape to Sondheim, fully expecting a reply hailing the next true genius of the West End. All I got was a note saying that I had 'rhyming poison' which got in the way of my characters and plot, and of course he was entirely right. But my ambition was to be an English Sondheim. Being a lyricist is the ideal job for a university-educated dilettante, because it *uses up all the rubbish in your* education. The English have never really cared for serious musical theatre: you wouldn't get a lyricist over here interested in demon barbers lifting razors up to spotlights, and yet after listening to virtually all the English scores of the last few years it's a relief to get back to Sondheim and Kurt Weill."

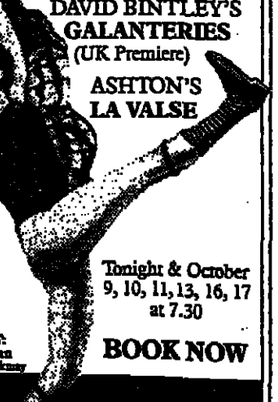
It was soon after leaving the Guildhall that Hart first came to the notice of Lloyd Webber, and Cameron Mackintosh his producer, when both men were judging the Vivian Ellis awards:

"I'd based a musical on *Moll Flanders* and put in a couple of the songs from that, which got me into the finals, and then we all met for a drink and vaguely talked about my working with Andrew. After that nothing happened for twelve months, so I thought they must have gone off the idea, and I went to work as an assistant musical director on shows like *Adrian Mole* and *Blockheads*. Then suddenly I got a tape of music in the post from Andrew and the suggestion that I might like to put some words to it, though he still didn't tell me it was for the *Phantom*. So I sent back some lyrics and I think what really appealed to Andrew was that I happened to have the same kind of typewriter as Tim Rice. Then Andrew suggested a meeting and I said I thought he would be too busy with the *Phantom* and he said it was for the *Phantom* that he wanted the lyrics and I did them in about three months. This is much more of a 'book' show than some of the earlier rock operas, closer to *Sweeney Todd* than *Evita* or *Superstar*, and if it works I think it will get us back to the traditional values of melodrama without being old-fashioned.

"Andrew is really very easy to work with: he's a great musical structuralist, which meant that most of the music was written before I came along so there was already a very strong framework. We still argued over extra syllables or extra notes but it was like bargaining at an auction and Andrew was very good about *letting me win sometimes*. If all you know of the *Phantom* are the various Hollywood movies, then it's quite a surprise to go back to the book, but we're not treating it like a BBC classic serial either. Sometimes I wish I'd had more time to work on this, but good things don't always emerge from writing slowly: in the end I'll have had about four months, which is I suppose a crash course in lyric writing, but if it doesn't work I'll go back to playing the piano in the pit.

"The shadows of Andrew's other partners haven't hung too heavily over me, though I think Tim Rice opened up a lot of doors for all English lyricists by showing that a lyric didn't have to be four lines long and sound banal: it could be wordy and witty and contemporary, though what we're looking for in *Phantom* are the big emotional moments. There are echoes here of *Rigoletto* and *Beauty and the Beast* and *Hunchback of Notre Dame*, all packed with images of dark and light, hell and heaven, good and evil.

"What we have here is a Gothic tale with some remarkable sleight-of-hand devices and, thanks to Hal Prince, some revolutionary lighting and staging tricks. How well they will merge with this rather creaky plot is the final test of whether the *Phantom* actually works, but one thing is certain: this is not going to be another of the robot shows where the sound is amplified out of recognition and all you really have to applaud is the set."



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THE GOOD SCHOOLS GUIDE

Part 3: Girls' schools

When it comes to educating girls, some schools leave a lot to be desired, often because they are short of money and adequate staff. But **Amanda Atha** and **Sarah Drummond** found in their new survey that despite these drawbacks, many pupils do well in the changing environment of modern schools

Girls' schools depressed us. It was easy to knock them and heads, sensitive to criticism, invariably pointed to lack of endowments, lack of fee income (girls' schools charge less) and boys' schools poaching their sixth forms.

We were struck, in the private sector, by a lack of direction. It is difficult to ascertain what many girls' schools are trying to achieve: great swathes, for example, claim to be "academic" and catering for "high fliers" (by which they mean potential Oxbridge undergraduates) but are no such thing.

Expectations are low all round. Even the traditional female subjects, which you might expect to have grown strong over the years, are often rudimentary or overlooked as second-class-citizen *stuff*. A *head whose domestic* science department is one of the strongest we visited did not even bother to mention it.

Options are unimaginative. Engineering projects such as assembling Meccano-type engines are considered outstanding feats of high technology.

There is a lack of energy and, sometimes, a lack of interest in anything outside the gossip columns of the *Daily Mail*. Male staff are thin on the ground, and much sought after "to give some semblance of normality" as one head put it. *High-calibre male teachers* tend to gravitate towards the higher expectations of boys' schools.

Gyms are often small, computer rooms untouched, playing fields tiny. Indeed the overall size of girls' schools is often too small to make economic sense: compare the Princess of Wales's old school (*West Heath, 145 pupils*) with the Prince of Wales's (Gordonstoun, 450 – itself not exactly a giant). There is a tremendous feeling of missing out: we cannot blame pupils who, as soon as O-levels were over, bolted to "Marlborough and freedom". Girls' schools are simply not where the action was.

There are exceptions. Local high schools – Stamford, Aylesbury, Norwich, Ripon, Headington for example – all offer good, if sometimes unimaginative, grammar school type education.

Cheltenham Ladies' – for all the criticism we heard levelled at it – offers a breadth of education and a sense of dynamism and purpose on a par with major boys' schools. North Foreland Lodge produces solid citizens who play a useful game of tennis. Downe House produces all rounders. Particular departments stand out: music (Felixstowe, Sherborne, Cheltenham, for example), computers (St Leonard's), electronics (The Perse).

Heads of girls' schools are good at admin, charm and discipline. Your daughter – outside London at any rate – will be kindly and safely locked up. One school we noticed requested all girls in the sixth form to be on the Pill – the request was tucked away at the bottom of the school clothing list.

Girls are good at regurgitating what they have been fed, work hard and often emerge with clutches of O and A levels which would do credit to a crammer. Biology, art and domestic science are popular. Boarding school sixth forms are often jolly good at giving little dinner parties for boys from neighbouring schools.

The biggest weakness in girls schools – and possibly, we thought, the source of most of the rest – is lack of staffpower. At one time as we went round there were no fewer than 11 headships of major girls' schools going begging. Women do not want the time-consuming responsibility of the number one job.

Weekends for married teachers are *out* – hopeless if you are trying to run a boarding school. Spinster heads, as the spinster head of The Perse pointed out, are a dying breed too. We noticed, incidentally, that this endangered species is often – and utterly wrongly – reviled by other women as 'unfit' to cope with the realities of school life. Teaching nuns are fewer and fewer, often because they have not got the qualifications considered necessary today – but what a loss of loving care and dedicated teaching.

BENENDEN SCHOOL

CRANBROOK, KENT

Vital statistics

Pupils: approx 395 girls; all board. Ages 8-18; C of E; fee-paying.

Head: Mrs Gillian duCharme, formerly head of independent co-ed Town School in Manhattan. Says she isn't going to change the school radically but is at present engaged in "a little fine tuning". Object of intense interest to potential parents, other heads etc, one of whom thought she might be "too strong meat for Benenden".

Academic matters: No results quoted. Offers Greek and according to parent has "excellent Latin teacher."

Games, options, the arts: Extremely hot on these. Lacrosse school – also tennis (14 courts), squash, judo, ballet, riding. Excellent at such skills as sewing, embroidery: has fashion parade on open day with garments made and modelled by the girls.

Background and atmosphere: Founded 1923. Huge, elegant but gloomy Victorian Gothic mansion in 200 acres: possibly grandest site and facilities of any girls' public school in the country. Mixed-ages 'dormies' encourage older girls to develop nanny-like sense of responsibility. Another parent commented that this "makes many of them in later life such excellent wives, JPs, prison visitors." "The only school I know so far," said harassed mother, "whose major scandal has been not drugs but the upper VIth sharing a bottle of sherry behind the lacrosse pitches on the last night of term."

The pupils: "Some very rich and some titled, mostly middle class," said the registrar (though from our observations, also some lower middle). Most famous old girl: Princess Anne.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,885 per term.

Remarks: Excellent reputation locally until Princess Anne went there. School then suffered terrible royal blight. "It was an excellent school when I was there," said pre-royal ex-pupil with daughter at school. "It had a very special atmosphere. Now it is not the thing it was at all." The registrar commented that people were "just beginning to come to the school again for the right reasons." Potentially the best girls' public boarding school in the country, but needs a kick up the pants - which Mrs duCharme is obviously only too capable of administering.

BOLTON SCHOOL (GIRLS' DIV)

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 895 girls, plus 85 boys (4-8), all day. Ages 4-18; non-denominational; fee-paying.

Head: Mrs Margaret Spurr (since 1979). Dynamic. Believes in "encouraging and developing talent – we've got plenty of it here". Hot on girls in industry.

Academic matters: Strongest subjects are physics and hard sciences. Everyone takes four A levels, including general studies. Virtually all go on to further education.

Games, options, the arts: Good games' facilities, including 18 hard tennis courts. School was in last year's national lacrosse finals.

Background and atmosphere: Pleasant red-brick buildings, purpose-built in 1877. Bursting with energy. Entrepreneurial attitudes fiercely encouraged – for example, the girls ran the school themselves for three days last term.

Bottom line: Fees: £648 per term.

Remarks: Very strong all-round day school – and, like many schools in the Midlands and North – immensely hard-working.

CAMDEN SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

LONDON NW5

Vital statistics

Pupils: 750, all day. Ages: 11-18; non-denominational; state.

Head: Mrs Noreen Manning (since 1985). Very popular choice for one of the maintained sector's most coveted jobs. Charming, energetic (mountaineering a main recreation), considered very fair.

Academic matters: Has maintained its academic tradition in spite of fully comprehensive intake and mixed-ability teaching (years one and two). Many staff at work in school by 7.30 am and still going strong at 5 pm. Arts notably stronger than sciences, particularly English and art. Classics department considered good; only London comprehensive offering Russian as A level option. Careers advice a strong point.

Games, options, the arts: Definitely *not sporty but runs own football* team and has a good gym. Full-time dance teacher appointed 1986. Bursting with musical talent.

Background and atmosphere: Voluntary aided grammar school until 1976. Buildings a hotch-potch: remains of blitz-damaged Victorian main school plus inconvenient Victorian houses (listed) linked to modern centre block and new VIth form building. Dramatic 1973 collapse of assembly hall brought bonus of music and drama workshop. Friendly, relaxed, informal and no rules about clothes – counterbalanced by tight and caring pastoral system.

The pupils: Very mixed-race school. Fairly equally divided between highly articulate offspring of Camden Square and children from local council estates.

Dod Miller



Heather Brigstocke, Head of St Paul's Girls' School: 'she has such charisma, people just flock after her'

Remarks: Exceptional school – parents (wealthy) move into the tightly defined catchment area to be sure of a place. Fairly left-wing image, with some mutterings of radical chic, but happy as well as successful.

DOWNE HOUSE

COLD ASH, BERKSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 410; 369 board, 41 day. Ages 11-18; C of E; fee-paying.

Head: Miss Suzanne Farr (since 1978), former lacrosse international. Breadth of education is her pet subject. Tough is the word, but has none of the stuffiness traditionally associated with unmarried heads.

Academic matters: Miss Farr pulled up what appeared to be a sinking ship (only 210 pupils) and restructured school along Wycombe lines. Strong on maths and Latin. Excellent general studies course for all VIth formers, including philosophy, psychology and child development ("They need to know more about their own intellectual functioning"). Computer science for all at 11. Bright staff, mostly young, includes several men.

Games, options, the arts: Music outstanding strength; 93 per cent of girls learn an instrument. Not madly gamesy, though there is a lot of it: unusually wide choice includes clay-pigeon shooting and archery. Money recently poured into developing hobbies/activities, such as woodwork, canoeing, electronics. "Still gossip is the chief hobby of all girls," head notes, not without humour. Post-O levels, all girls immediately sent on Outward *Bound course in the Lake District* – a roaring success.

Background and atmosphere: Whitewashed building in curious hispano-Surrey style, once a private house, much extended. Highly structured, very house oriented. VIth formers allowed to be self-catering and give dinner parties. Upper VIth are uniform-free. Lower VIth have dress code, rest wear truly unflattering bottle green.

The pupils: Many old girls' daughters; army and diplomatic family links. Bright, articulate girls with well developed sense of curiosity.

Bottom line: Fees: boarders, £1,790 per term; £1,140.

Remarks: One of the few girls' public schools with real breadth of education. Not for bluestockings or shrinking violets who would collapse under pressure of so much jolly activity.

GODOLPHIN AND LATYMER SCHOOL

HAMMERSMITH, LONDON W6

Vital statistics

Pupils: 700 girls, all day. Ages 11-18; non-denominational; fee-paying.

Head: Miss Margaret Rudland (from January 1986). Keen on tightening up discipline – to pupils' dismay. Small, pugnacious, keen gardener.

Academic matters: Powerfully academic. One of the rare girls' schools where almost any subject can be taught (Russian and Chinese, for example); choice of 22 A level subjects. Very strong science teaching; languages another strength. Teaches academic self-reliance from the start: during first term they are taught how to use a library – and thereafter are expected to research individually. Staff are sound (all ages, both sexes) but not stylish, and it shows in the teaching, which lacks flair. Lots of homework; parents expected to co-operate as watchdogs.

Games, options, the arts: Extra-curricular activities extremely busy over lunchtime. As a number of staff put it: "If it's fashionable, they'll be doing it." Out of hours and out of term trips, social work, visits (to Russia, exhibitions, the opera) all energetically pursued. Intellectual inquisitiveness a characteristic. Compulsory gym twice a week, and own playing fields nearby but games teachers not popular. Drama very strong; some revues with St Paul's boys. Good music (three choirs, two orchestras plus smaller groups). Impressive art.

Background and atmosphere: Stands in four-acre site, originally built (1851) as boys' boarding school. Latterday extensions include a large library, impressive science block, art rooms, gym, computer centre. Fairly noisy and untidy. But for all its famed liberal progressive outlook, there's gritty discipline underneath, symbolized by strict uniform. (VIth formers are uniform-free, and allowed to have lunch out of school.) Good careers discussions.

The pupils: Lively, questioning, sharp streak. A very wide social mix – daughters of impoverished scholars, local professionals, shopkeepers, intelligentsia. Girls from all over London and the outskirts, and even taking trains in from Bucks. Smart, clever leaders and worthy plodders. Manners not *brilliant*. Stylish-looking girls, with a wonderful way of expressing themselves via the uniform.

Bottom line: Fees: £765 per term.

Remarks: One of London's best girls' schools. Broad views, broad interests. Absolutely not the place for girls who are neither self-motivated nor self-reliant. Key question for parents is: can you and your daughter cope with liberal attitudes and sophistication of a large London day school?

JAMES ALLEN'S GIRLS' SCHOOL ('JAGS')

LONDON SE22

Vital statistics

Pupils: 650 girls, all day. Ages: 11-18; C of E; fee-paying.

Head: Mrs Brigid Davies (since 1984), previously assistant head here. Gentle but firm, imaginative, Hampsteady. Thinks girls have an inbuilt tendency to be too modest: "I want them to feel free to explore, to try out new things, to be tough - and not always to aim to please."

Academic matters: Stimulating teaching. Some distinctly brainy girls here, and staff tend to concentrate (as usual) on the bright ones and hard workers. Head has recently introduced some (much needed) men to the staff. VIth form here renowned for producing a stream of feminists. "We're encouraged to aim academically high here," said one pupil. (Parents comment that the school does not aim socially high: "Unlike St Paul's - and what a relief.")

Games, options, the arts: Activities plentiful: strong on visits to galleries, museums, theatres, exchange visits; geography and science field courses; lots of incoming lecturers. Drama a great strength. Good playing fields, heated indoor swimming-pool. Extremely good art – girls win substantial number of foundation art prizes. Flourishing new design and technology department.

Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1741, moved to present 20-acre site in 1886; new science labs, VIth form block. Vibrates with energy and noise. Girls encouraged to run their own school life (recently re-introduced prefects, a popular move). But "there's not enough on careers," some girls complain.

The pupils: From Chelsea, Victoria, Stockwell, Clapham, Greenwich, Dulwich, Blackheath and Kent. Solidly middle-class mixed with daughters of local intelligentsia.

Bottom line: Fees: £800 per term.

Remarks: A south of the river version of Godolphin and Latymer crossed with St Paul's in the liberal progressive tradition, going from strength to strength.

KING EDWARD VI HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

EDGBASTON, BIRMINGHAM

Vital statistics

Pupils: 530 girls, all day. Ages 11 - 18; non-denominational; fee-paying.

Head: Miss E. W. Evan (since 1977). Cool, calm, careful, fair-minded. Hopes fervently pupils will leave here "having acquired the taste of enjoyment of study for its own sake, and feel they are talented and achievers - and therefore responsible to serve the community."

Academic matters: For achievers with high expectations. Very wide syllabus, breadth and depth the strength here: A levels balanced – a third taking science subjects, a third arts, a third mixing. All girls do general studies as their fourth (rarely third) A level. Everyone takes Latin and maths for O level, and two modern languages is the norm. Maths probably the strongest department of all. More O levels often added during VIth form years: Russian, German and Spanish all regularly taken at this stage. Great emphasis from the start on discussion in class – girls are thus adept arguers and verbalizers.

Games, options, the arts: Brand new art block, patently under-used as yet. Music, sports, drama all strong. Some activities, eg, debating, undertaken with adjacent King Edward's Boys' School (some VIth subjects shared, too). Head very keen on girls being practical as well as academic, thus cooking, needlework and a vast amount of community service.

Background and atmosphere: Direct grant school until 1976. Extraordinarily disciplined: strong work ethic, no larking about during lesson time (and not much out of it, either). Unusually dedicated staff. Sloppy work and inattentiveness deeply frowned upon. No prefect system, no head girl, no houses.

The pupils: Solidly middle class, from as far away as Lichfield, Bromsgrove, Wolverhampton, Solihull: there's not a school in this league for miles and precious few anywhere.

Bottom line: Fees: £885 per term.

Remarks: On an academic par with Wycombe and St Paul's. No intellectual arrogance – partly a conscious effort by staff to get rid of any feelings of superiority – results in *girls longing for the warmth of* praise. "You tend to think you're hopeless if you're not outstanding," said one.

THE LADIES' COLLEGE

CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTER

Vital statistics

Pupils: 845 girls; 695 board, 150 day. Ages: 11-18; C of E; fee paying.

Head: Miss Joan Sadler (since 1979). Small and determined, comments: "The important thing is, being so huge, so many advantages are given us, and because of the structure, no girl need feel lost: our life's blood is contact with the girls."

Academic matters: "It has been assumed for the past 40 years or so", said the head, "that girls here will have careers." This tradition gives school the confidence to go for the tough academic subjects – classics alive and well, also history, maths, modern languages, etc.

Games, options, the arts: Outstanding in all manner of things. Music very strong and ambitious. Art also lively with pictures hanging on every wall. Traditionally strong games school – has won All England women's national hockey championship, plus many lesser laurels in squash, gym, swimming, lacrosse. Also cricket, sailing, etc.

Background and atmosphere: Founded 1853, pioneer of principle that education of girls is as important as that of boys. Of all girls' schools visited, possibly the one which most compares with major boys' public schools in atmosphere and for overall breadth of education. Houses run by house-mistresses who are not members of the teaching staff and real sense of going "home" in the evening to tea and scones. Buildings in the wide Regency and early Victorian streets of Cheltenham - civilized setting and, unlike boys' school, no traffic roaring past. Uniform a smart green tweed which mingles well with Cotswold mink of country shoppers.

The pupils: Image is upper, but actual background mainly middle-class: daughters of farmers, armed forces, dentists, company directors. Manners impeccable, natural, kind, unaffected.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,825 per term boarding, £1,200 day.

Remarks: Our impression is that this is the strongest overall – academic, arts, games – girls' school in country.

MALVERN GIRLS' COLLEGE

GT MALVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 520 girls; 458 board, 62 day. Ages: 11-18; C of E; fee-paying.

Head: Currently in a state of flux – one disaster, followed by a stop-gap: Dr Payne, an unknown quantity, about to take over.

Academic matters: All-round academic strengths, both sciences and arts; maths greatly boosted by Hong Kong Chinese element present in force, phenomenally hard workers; sciences generally helped by Africans and Indians who arrive in time for O levels. Good history and modern languages. "Monitoring essential for the less bright," according to parents of one such who might have done better elsewhere.

Games, options, the arts: Circular sports dome a controversial recent innovation ("How many sports do you actually play in the round?" laugh other schools), and much in use. Severe lack of outdoor sports facilities. Very good music - hordes of orchestras, fine choir. Definitely a Christian school, emphasizing community work. Needlework and cooking popular.

The pupils: Interesting cross-section socially, academically, ethnographically. Popular with MPs and farmers.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,710 boarding, £1,140 day.

Remarks: Great strength is that it is all-round – and happy, too.

NORTH FORELAND LODGE

SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON, BASINGSTOKE, HAMPSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: approx 165 girls, all board. Ages: 11-18; C of E; fee-paying.

Head: Miss D. L. Matthews (since 1984). Keen on aim stated by the school's first head, who said her *object in founding the* school was to "provide a boarding school, limited in numbers, for the daughters of the leisured class, where they might receive an education not inferior to that of the great girls' public schools and based upon religion". Miss Matthews is intelligent, doughty and comments on her own behalf that she is running "neither a convent nor a prison".

Academic matters: The first head's aims have not exactly been fulfilled on the academic front yet, thought 1985's results were relatively good and seven girls went on to university (none to Oxbridge). Physics and computing in process of being dragged into second half of 20th century by ex-Dounreay physicist.

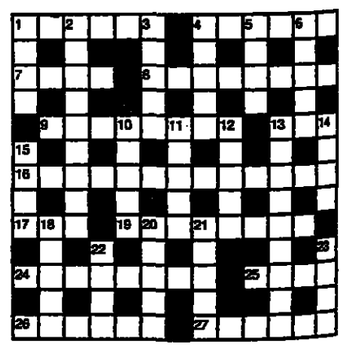
Games, options, the arts: Not a school that loses any sleep if it doesn't win, but still plays lacrosse and netball and is keen on tennis, not least because, as Miss Matthews points out, competence in tennis will be a social asset in years to come (unlike the others). Keen fencing (compulsory for one term).

Background and atmosphere: Moved from North Foreland in Kent (hence name) to present private house surrounded by 70 acres of grounds looked after by groundsman George Armstrong



Joan Sadler, the Head of Cheltenham Ladies' College

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1 Act correctly (6)
4 Nape (6)
7 Headland (4)
8 USSR airline (8)
9 Clerk's tale heroine (8)
13 Rotten (3)
16 Inverted comma (9,4)
17 Long time (3)
19 Mediocre (8)
24 Driving power (8)
25 Disconcert (4)
26 Cheerful (6)
27 Alcove (6)

DOWN
1 Male goat (4)
2 Dramatic exaggeration (9)
3 Fill with pride (5)
4 Torn strip (5)
5 Prevalent (4)
6 Flowers (5)
10 Overrun (5)
11 Scots landowner (5)
12 Make void (5)
13 Sudden inspiration (5,4)
14 Ditch (4)
15 Water (4)
18 Malevolent spirit (5)
20 Yucca fibre (5)
21 Object (5)
22 Resolved to (4)
23 Durbeyfield daughter (4)

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and his son. They also mend bicycles etc and are obviously pearls beyond price. Vith form have a "flat" with minimum supervision. Girls all more or less under one roof winding up into the attics of the house, with splendid graffiti on lavatory walls.

The pupils: Belted earls, upper and second generation trade — "they have to be able to afford the fees". Famous old girl: Queen of Denmark.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,675 per term.

Remarks: The smart non-academic girls boarding school. "Very social," said a parent, and "very happy". Does not advertise — all done by word of dinner-party and so remains resolutely upper crust. Not a school where girls worry about their future.

OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

OXFORD

Vital statistics

Pupils: 550 girls, all day; Ages: 11-18; Non-denominational; Fee-paying.

Head: Mrs J. Townsend (since 1980). Declined to be interviewed. Mrs Townsend arouses strong feelings among some parents, who consider her difficult, but she is praised by others for having implemented improvements in facilities.

Academic matters: Non-starters in the academic arena probably never arrive here; so the assertion by girls placed in the lower streams that they don't feel second-rate is what one might expect. Russian/Latin/Greek choice in second year. Very competent staff ("tolerant outlook") sometimes have to battle it out with academic parents "thinking they know better". Head of music universally acclaimed. "Excellent" for maths/sciences.

Games, options, the arts: Games not compulsory after Lower Vth. Good involvement for all in music and drama. Greek plays put on at high level. Three orchestras.

Background and atmosphere: "Rather box-like, '50s-style." "Ugly but nice." Attractive playing fields on a not very large site. Blind eye turned to make-up and pink streaks in hair, though discipline definitely exists.

The pupils: 50 per cent from Oxford itself, others from quite long but commutable distances. Interesting cross-sections of society, from underprivileged on assisted places to daughters of dons, judges, etc, plus a few green wellies thrown into the academic deep end.

Bottom line: Fees: £560 per term.

Remarks: Not a traditional sort of school, producing a surprising amount of defensive remarks by parents rather than positive acclaim. Makes small attempt to get away from its academic image. But if you are looking for results it speaks for itself. Recommended.

THE PERSE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

CAMBRIDGE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 550, all day; Ages: 11-18; Non-denominational; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss M. R. Bateman (since 1980). Bubbly, kind and good at organizing. Doesn't reckon to produce a Perse product ("eccentrics do well here") but does expect every child to be properly educated with "pieces of paper to prove it," so that she may be able to earn a living wage — "not forgetting that one in three will end up divorced and these are the new poor."

Academic matters: No qualms on this account. Staff in general of very high calibre. Strong science department, with individual classroom for electronics. Modern languages strong, with luxury of staff from Russia, Italy and France. "It shows," said a girl, "when we compare ourselves with girls taught by English people. We have the idioms and, yes, the culture, and we speak it differently."

Games, options, the arts: Not strong on games as a whole, but won the inter-girls' schools tennis championship a couple of years ago. Playing fields a brisk 10-minute walk away. Music has smart new buildings: 400 pupils take individual lessons.

Background and atmosphere: Cosy, private hot-house institution with carpets, polish, wallpaper and good pictures on the wall. Buildings themselves awful — the school started in a private house adjoining Perse School for Boys in 1881 and spilled over to the next etc, etc.

The pupils: Large proportion of dons' daughters. Also "a number of farmers' daughters and people on bursaries you wouldn't otherwise expect," said a girl. Solid middle to upper-middle class academe. Old girls: Lady Wootton, Jean Rhys. Claims to be the inspiration for St Trinian's — not a claim many schools would want to make!

Bottom line: Fees: £706 per term.

Remarks: Successful academic school run rather on French Lycée lines with not much time spent on non-academic matters. Record of getting pupils on to next rung of academic ladder probably unsurpassed among its type.

QUEEN ANNE'S SCHOOL

CAVERSHAM, BERKSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 365 girls; 305 board, 60 day; Ages: 11-18; C of E; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss Audrey M. Scott (since 1977). Steady, thoughtful, strong and in control of the situation. Says it is "very important that a child wants to come to boarding school".

Academic matters: Fairly laid-back — offers good variety of subjects, though, including classics, strong French department, English, also drama and, more surprisingly, maths. Doesn't believe Oxbridge is always the answer — looks very carefully at the courses on offer and points out that Bristol is good for drama, London for history of art, etc. Real high-fliers catered for but "border-liners," as one called herself, might not get enough encouragement.

Games, options, the arts: Very strong on games. Doing particularly well at present at lacrosse and tennis. Music active; choir has sung abroad and in Westminster Abbey. Spare-time activities "largely creative" — not only doing their own plays but writing them as well. Vth form do a civilized line in dinner parties in their smart house — five boys from, say, Bradfield, Wellington or Eton and five girls, guests to leave at 11pm. Boyfriends come to tea on Sundays. Tremendous, almost stifling emphasis on caring for each other. Very strong sense of Christian teaching as natural extension of life.

Background and atmosphere: Founded in Westminster 1698, established at Caversham in 1894. The Dean of Westminster, said the head, "calls us his school in the country." Main buildings lovely red brick, lawns running down to beautiful rose beds. Forty acres on site. Immediate impression is of casual dress and relaxed behaviour — no uniform on Sunday, though must be in dresses; underlying impression is of a traditional school gradually loosening up. Strict code of behaviour.

The pupils: School aiming "almost exclusively" children of "the unmentionable middle class, good solid citizens whose values are straight" — pupils are actually rather smarter than this suggests. 40-50 girls not of British nationality, also 50-60 expats — note school very handy for Heathrow. Old girl: Posy Simmonds.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,606 per term boarding, £990 day.

Remarks: Traditional girls' boarding school, smart with good all-round grounding, a place where a gentle soul might flourish.

ROEDEAN SCHOOL

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX

Vital statistics

Pupils: 445 girls, all board; Ages: 8-18; C of E but other faiths also; Fee-paying.

Head: Mrs Ann Longley (since 1984). Friendly widow, impressive speaker and rumoured to be getting the school on the move.

Academic matters: Results not available but school has "strong medical tradition" and girls have gravitated to biology, physics and chemistry in which there is a pocket of enthusiastic teaching. Projects centre for biology and physics; ecology course run in summer holidays. Good labs, computer centre.

Games, options, the arts: Compulsory projects outside mainstream subjects; pupils built a real live hovercraft with sponsorship of oil company. Strong art department with lively work, including dress design and sculpture. Music also strong: high standard, critical teaching, impressive array of part-time teachers coming in. Lacrosse school (famous for smutty games song); older girls not forced to do main games but must take some "outdoor activity".

Background and atmosphere: Founded 1885. Stuck up on the cliffs, east of Brighton in 118 acres. A swarm of dreary pebbledashed buildings including four main "houses" and rather cooler Vith form house with the usual semi-detached air about it of drying clothes, piles of frozen food, gas stoves and domesticity. Atmosphere faintly scruffy and self-conscious.

The pupils: A strange mixture of old girls' daughters (posh), expats and non-nationals; large numbers of doctors' daughters.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,934 per term senior, £1,700 junior.

Remarks: Still trailing clouds of glory but now in need of dynamic new direction.

ST LEONARDS SCHOOL

ST ANDREWS, FIFE

Vital statistics

Pupils: Approx 435 girls; Approx 360 board, 70 day; Ages: 8-18; Scottish Episcopal and Church of Scotland; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss Martha Hamilton (since 1970). Formerly head of missionary school in north-east India, and has taken school group out there. Formidable presence, constantly on the go.

Academic matters: Founded in 1877 to provide girls with an education as good as that of their brothers — hence a strong academic tradition. Got eight girls into Oxbridge in 1984 and 1985, which head said was "magnificent" — before that "lucky to get one or two in". Enthusiastic computer studies master is pioneering — with acclaim — a new course in computer skills and works endlessly to keep up to date, overseeing vast quantities of new equipment.

Games, options, the arts: Games compulsory — hockey Christmas term, lacrosse Easter, athletics summer plus tennis on all-weather courts and swimming all year round in huge heated pool. Three new squash courts. Plans under way for sports hall which would give the school among the finest sports facilities in the country. Close enough to Glenshee to ski. Art good.

Background and atmosphere: Buildings and setting of school magnificent historic Scottish grey baronial with a whole separate building for being ill in. No chapel — school has tradition of sending girls out into town to worship at place of denomination of their choice wearing their romantic long navy cloaks. Day-to-day uniform is brown and nasty. Official ball and regular social gatherings with Glenalmond (90 minutes away).

The pupils: Daughters of Scottish Sloanes, industrial magnates and rich tradesmen. Tendency to turn out solid citizens — a touch boring.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,800 boarding, £900 day.

Remarks: Head comments school is "traditional without a doubt" and "considered a bit strict". Tough, gamesy, "once more into the breech" type school.

ST MARY'S SCHOOL

CALNE, WILTSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 383 girls, 16 day boys; 268 board, 111 day; Ages: 11-18; C of E; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss Delacey Burns since 1985. Charming, bright, very quick and pretty — parents rave about her ("So unlike a headmistress!").

Academic matters: A powerhouse. At A levels the majority take three, a few four, fewer two, and all do a minimum of one extra non-examinable subject to prevent specialization. Science is exceptional, rare that girls do not take physics and chemistry at O level. Careers and computing compulsory at Vth form, an innovation. History of art and architecture both excellently taught and madly popular. Very strong modern languages.

Games, options, the arts: Deservedly strong music reputation (over 75 per cent learn at least one instrument; three chamber music groups, five choirs, two orchestras). Drama a major activity, arts and crafts developing; riding, social services, dressmaking, typing all on hand. 12 tennis courts.

Background and atmosphere: Non-institutional, despite being purpose-built in 1873. Flowers on tables, bright colours, comfortable dorms. Vith form run their own house, newly-built and luxurious, and entertain here. Tutor allotted to each pupil. Girls encouraged to choose a career that will last a lifetime, and implications of woman's dual role are clearly spelt out. Atmosphere tremendously purposeful and happy. These Vth formers — a strikingly good-looking bunch — don't hanker for boyfriends and make lasting friendship here at school.

The pupils: 90 per cent Establishment backgrounds, socially and academically smart girls, polished, polite, well-mannered — they look you in the eye and smile. Originally not their strong point. Parents all tend to know each other.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,775 per term boarding, £1,115 day.

Remarks: The most fashionable girls' school at the moment. Produces self-confident and well-educated girls without the arrogance or unhappy pressurization of some other powerhouses.

ST PAUL'S GIRLS' SCHOOL

BROOK GREEN, LONDON W6

Vital statistics

Pupils: Approx 600 girls, all day; Ages: 10-18; Anglican foundation; Fee-paying.

Head: High Mistress is the famous Mrs Heather Brigstocke (since 1974), who has now been a headmistress for 21 years. "She has such charisma," said a prep school head, "people just flock after her."

Academic matters: Amazing. Got 56 into Oxbridge last year. Honours covers two huge high walls of their large pink Edwardian building. 95 per cent of pupils go on to university, 30 per cent of these on average to Oxbridge. Pupils get over 90 per cent pass for both A and O with 35 per cent or more 'A' grades. Traditionally strong in the arts and sciences. Like Manchester Grammar for boys, the atmosphere is conducive to learning. Maths, physics, chemistry and (still, at the moment) Latin compulsory. Articulacy is all here: they are up on their hind legs talking all the time.

Games, options, the arts: Olympic-sized swimming pool, two lacrosse pitches, eight tennis courts all used with panache, but the most serious extras are music and drama. The school goes about its business to a background of organ playing and in 1982 opened a beautiful theatre in memory of Dame Celia Johnson. Through parents and Old Paulines the school also has unlimited and powerful contacts, and to see on the noticeboard that John Mortimer QC is coming to talk to the school is nothing out of the ordinary. No cookery taught.

Background and atmosphere: Surprisingly spacious for a London school. No uniform but dress must be "appropriate". Atmosphere of benevolent dictatorship. Rules all contained on one yellow card — the idea being to avoid petty restrictions.

The pupils: Mostly middle class intelligentsia — MPs' daughters, etc. Has a staggering list of famous old girls. They are in the process of setting up a network to take advantage. Strong Jewish (80+) and Muslim (20) contingents.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,025 per term.

Remarks: Arrived preparing to find fault because of the grovelling effect the school has on parents, came away convinced it is possibly the best academic independent day girls' school in the country.

ST SWITHUN'S SCHOOL

WINCHESTER, HAMPSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: 410 girls; 235 board, 175 day; Ages: 11-18; C of E; Fee-paying.

Head: New head is Miss J. E. Jefferson, previously Head of Hunmanby Hall School, near Scarborough.

Academic matters: Every department goes full-pelt, and girls are kept busy in many directions; they work hard without being pressurized and clearly love it. Two English papers, French, maths and one science subject compulsory at O level. 40-50 per cent of girls here do A level maths; classics another strength. A level subjects are a free choice, and Vth formers often clock up another language (Spanish or Russian, for instance) in O level, too.

Games, options, the arts: Powerful on the lacrosse field; extra-curricular activities and clubs (judo, fencing, archery, contemporary dancing, for instance) generate great enthusiasm. Five full-time, 22 visiting music staff: the school has two orchestras and 60 (yes) chamber groups, mainly run by the girls themselves. Art department includes excellent book-binding. Drama very popular; good debating society. Home economics and needlework part of the curriculum.

Background and atmosphere: Large 1930s Queen Anne style, purpose-built school (founded elsewhere in 1884), somewhat bleakly set in the green belt just outside Winchester. Good space and facilities: new science block, music school, art studio, sports hall. Dormitories offer privacy and space. Atmosphere of work and discipline.

The pupils: Largely local, some of parents in the services, many whose parents are posted abroad. Bright, polite and happy, with an unlovely brown uniform (none for the Vith).

Bottom line: Fees: £1,685 per term boarding, £1,069 day.

Remarks: Remarkably rounded academic education which gives girls who can cope a wide breadth of view. Fosters high expectations.

SHERBORNE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

SHERBORNE, DORSET

Vital statistics

Pupils: 455 girls: 445 board, 10 day; Ages: 12-18; C of E; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss June Taylor (since 1985), totally home-grown: head girl, maths teacher then housemistress for 15 years at Sherborne. Very popular appointment all-round (including with senior staff). Approachable, enthusiastic, level-headed. Disparages "knowledge factories".

Academic matters: Sound though not brilliant. Work is steady (first lesson at 8.30am — a rarity) without being pressurized. Timetabling highly flexible, due to great strength of music and extras offered (eg squash coaching). Pupils (happily) spoon-fed until they reach Vith form, when at last they are using libraries, researching, note-taking etc on their own — compared with academic schools these girls lead a relatively sheltered academic life till their last two years. Modern languages a great strength, Russian (Vth formers only) very good indeed, good maths. Strong sciences (new labs have helped).

Games, options, the arts: Music could well be the reason to send your daughter to this school: the best music department in any girls' school, under the remarkable Miss Augusta Miller, diminutive, dynamic, fun, tireless. School music productions superb and varied, and not only for the most talented. Head of PE, with proverbial foghorn voice, is also Second Mistress, and a pillar of the place. Girls win lots of matches and play hard (one of the few girls' schools to play both lacrosse and hockey as major sports). Sports complex has a big gym, squash courts etc and "car wash", as the girls call the shower area.

Background and atmosphere: Modelled on Cheltenham Ladies' — though far smaller and less academic with an unusually strong, highly competitive house system. All meals eaten in their houses ("good food", volunteered several voices), and ages mix very freely. Upper Vith have their own house, wear their own clothes, and can invite Sherborne boys to their TV common room which they aptly name "the airport lounge". Strong sense of purpose pervades the school and the girls. Discipline tightening up — "high time, too," from several parents.

The pupils: Strong Dorset, Bristol and West Country and London contingents. Daughters of the Establishment and men in the professions with brothers at Sherborne Boys'.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,825 per term boarding, £1,220 day.

Remarks: A very good all-round education, excellent for music, producing sensible girls.

WYCOMBE ABBEY SCHOOL

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

Vital statistics

Pupils: approx 480 girls, all board; Ages: 11-18; C of E; Fee-paying.

Head: Miss Patricia Lancaster (since 1974). Enthusiast and leader with a gift for breathing life into pupils and staff. She hopes that each girl will achieve some academic qualifications, but "more than that I hope she will be the sort of person who will be a first-rate home-maker, mother, wife. That 'I'm only a wife' business — absolute nonsense. On women lies the stability of the whole of the next generation . . ."

Academic matters: "Girls are simple," said a Sloane mother. "If they're bright you send them to Wycombe Abbey, if they're not you send them to Tudor Hall." Particularly strong history, English and Latin. Teaching largely excellent. Because of high expectations has a tendency to breed girls who are never content with themselves.

Games, options, the arts: Not as strong on games as music: every variety of instrument taught by the dedicated Miss Sharp, plus other excellent teachers. New arts study centre due to open Christmas 1986. Strong following for ambitious house plays. Lacrosse school.

Background and atmosphere: Founded in 1896. Buildings Gothic, on edge of High Wycombe with "The Wall" running round, which some town people have seen as symbolic of school's keeping itself to itself. Pleasant grounds marred by rather grotty Vith form building at the back.

The pupils: Sophisticated, though head and pupils shuddered at the thought that the school might be considered a bit debby. Head commented that most parents were "from professional families living in the country". Lots of brothers at Eton, and boys are ferried over regularly for dinner-parties, debates etc.

Bottom line: Fees: £1,850 per term.

Remarks: Has had long innings as most fashionable academic girls' public school. For some reason does not inspire the instant paeans of praise of five years ago.

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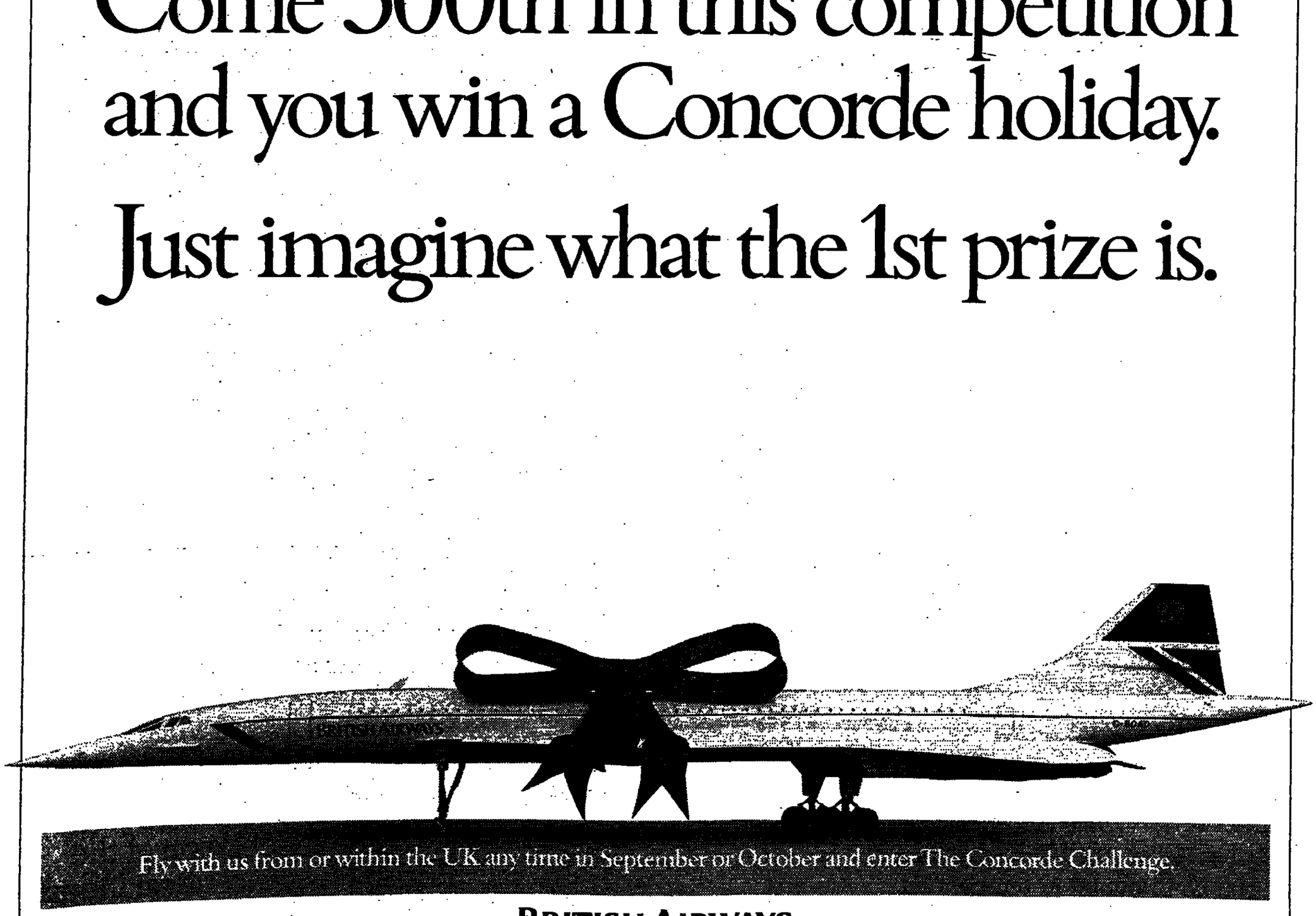
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A. In 1985 UK pharmaceutical exports exceeded imports by over £830 million. Our domestic spending on medicines is only half that of our major competitors like the US, Japan and Germany. If Britain is to be able to afford good welfare services, we must be able to pay for them – pharmaceuticals are an area in which this country is outstandingly successful.

Q. What contribution to UK employment does the pharmaceutical industry make?

A. Over 80,000 people are employed directly by the UK pharmaceutical industry. A further 250,000 to 300,000 British jobs owe their existence indirectly to the pharmaceutical industry.

Q. Why is the number of NHS prescriptions rising?

A. Between 1979 and 1985 the total number of prescriptions dispensed in the UK rose by only 5%. Factors involved included the 'ageing' of the population, rising unemployment and the shift to community care. For some groups of medicines, such as tranquillisers, the total fell significantly.

Q. Does the pharmaceutical industry care about 'Third World' health?

A. Only about 10% of the UK pharmaceutical industry's revenue is derived from the entire Third World. Yet through ABPI, British medicine manufacturers accept their responsibility to aid global health progress. For example, pilot projects to improve medicine distribution are being funded in East Africa and the Maldives.

Q. Why should all the growth money available to the NHS go to medicine costs?

A. It does not. Since 1982 the proportion of NHS resources going to pharmaceuticals (costed in manufacturers' prices) has stayed roughly constant. Less than one NHS pound in ten goes on medicines. Some 80% of NHS medicines are prescribed by General Practitioners. DHSS figures show that between 1979 and 1984 overall spending on the family practitioner services went up 10% more than their medicine costs.

Q. Haven't we already got the medicines we need?

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Unfortunately, however, many illnesses are still incurable, or only partly treatable. Providing research investment continues, many more effective pharmaceuticals will be developed to help protect against conditions such as cancers, multiple sclerosis and AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

Q. How much does the pharmaceutical industry spend on research?

A. In Britain, the pharmaceutical industry spent, in the last year, over £500 million on research.

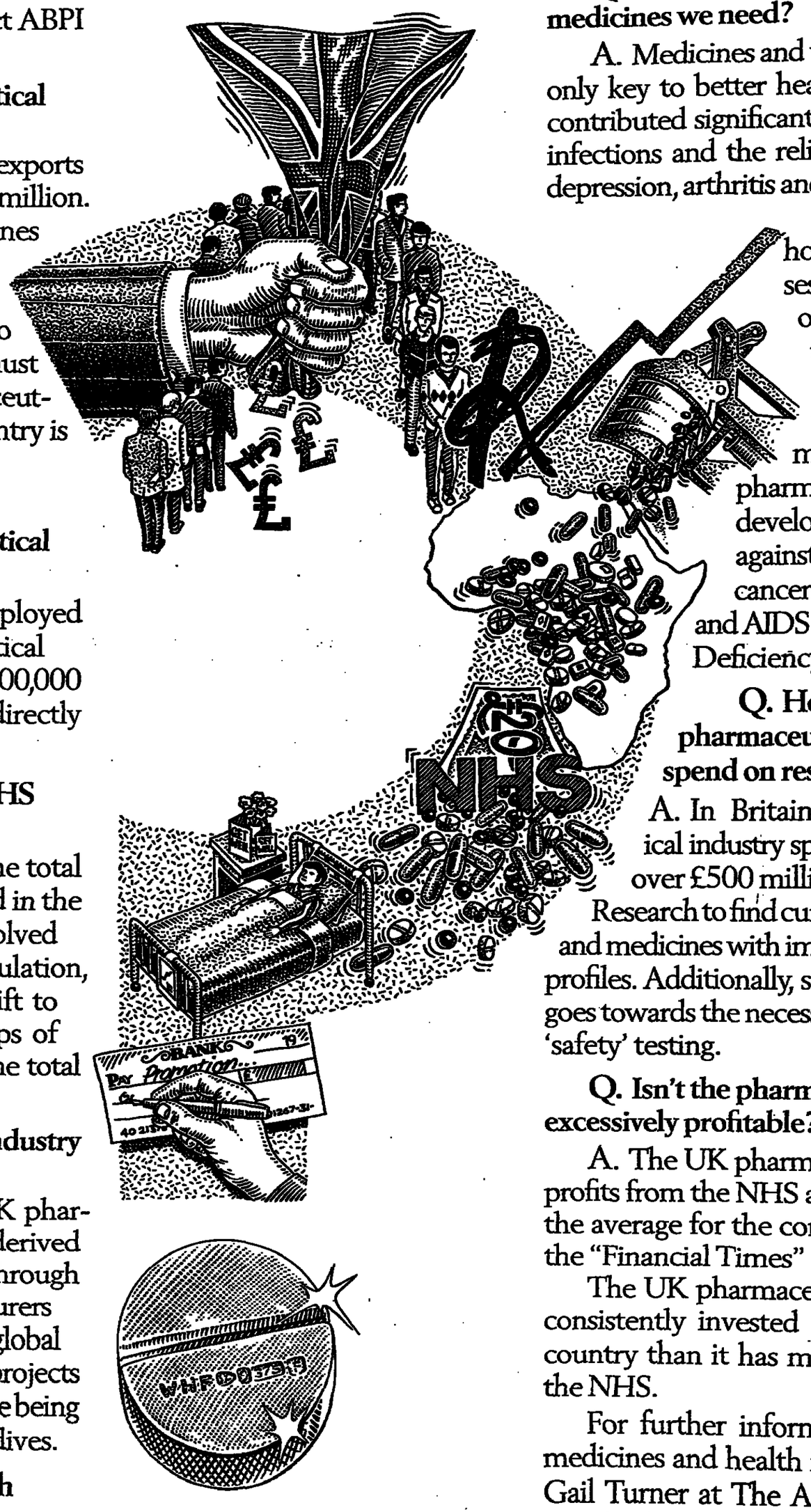
Research to find cures, new treatments and medicines with improved therapeutic profiles. Additionally, some of this money goes towards the necessarily high level of 'safety' testing.

Q. Isn't the pharmaceutical industry excessively profitable?

A. The UK pharmaceutical industry's profits from the NHS are currently below the average for the companies quoted in the "Financial Times" 500 Index.

The UK pharmaceutical industry has consistently invested more in this country than it has made in profit from the NHS.

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

A few friends came round, for life

THE MEANING OF FRIENDSHIP

Women sometimes appear to have more friends than clothes, and change them just as often. Men, says Colin Duncan, have a wholly different approach to acquiring, and dealing with, their best 'pals'



Friends indeed: Michael Hogan, left, and Adrian Metcalfe, who came to the aid of Jeffrey Archer, centre, in troubled times

Jeffrey Archer, best-selling author and deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, does not have a best friend . . . he has two. Both friendships grew out of a shared love of athletics and a determination to beat enemy nations to the finishing line.

Channel 4 sports commentator Adrian Metcalfe, farmer and businessman Michael Hogan, and Jeffrey Archer succeeded one another as President of Athletics at Oxford, and this three-way friendship between men of disparate social backgrounds has endured for 30 years.

It was put to the ultimate test, Archer says, "when I had my downfall. I went from being the youngest MP with everything going for me, to nothing.

"Unlike many, they didn't run away but appeared instantly. Both gave me money to pay my minor debts, one gave me a job and both were just terribly, terribly loyal. Now they are my sounding board for common sense. Since my bankruptcy, for instance, I've been very cautious financially. Michael counsels me and I really listen."

He has also drawn on their individual qualities for characters in his books, citing them as: "In Michael, total integrity and loyalty to a degree I've never seen in any other human being – he's the hero in *A Matter of Honour*. And in Adrian, tremendous humour, wit and a first-class mind."

To Archer's sadness, the geography of their lives means that the three see each other too rarely, but they speak at least once a week and meet up whenever possible, often to watch important athletics meetings when, to the despair of their wives, "we degenerate into three overgrown schoolboys, bringing back marvellous golden memories of when Adrian won everything."

All over-achievers as young men, they follow each other's careers with interest, but Archer credits Metcalfe with a comment summing up their shared attitude: "Success is about not being too busy to have lunch with your friends."

When I asked her, she said no, she hadn't really seen any friends lately, except Davina to go for a splurge in Peter Jones on Friday, but they'd promised themselves that ages ago. Of course, on Saturday she did go to Calais with Corey, Wanda and Marissa to buy all those lovely oils and cheeses, and on Sunday there was the usual girly lunch – just Annabel and Julia and all the regulars.

"So no," she said. "Apart from that, I haven't seen any friends lately."

In what rated as a quietish weekend, she had seen more friends than most men make in a lifetime. When it comes to friendship, women are wildly promiscuous. They pick them up in bars and restaurants, they swap friends with other friends, and they even indulge in group friendship. In these matters, men are models of chastity: that is why we often spend years of dreaming, waiting for the right chap to come along.

In the last few years, we have seen a vast reshuffle of human relationships which has made friendship easier to get at, with much less anxiety over such nonsense as skin tones, sleeping preferences and scholastic neckwear. Yet among all this splendid progress, friendship between men, which has always been a delicate business, has become even more ticklish.

I cannot see myself taking a pal on a splurge in Austin Reed. I have no plans to raid Calais with three chums. And whoever heard of a boys' lunch? Yet for all the problems, friendship between men has an uncomplicated warmth about it.

Without the pull of family, sexual or commercial interests, you can spend an hour or two ambling around a golf course or at the pub, throwing darts, confident in the knowledge that no one will pester you about sales figures or a new frock, school fees or export drives.

When I say friendship, I don't mean those howling lupine packs of men you see at stag parties. I'm talking about the gentle, easy relationships which sometimes blossom between men, which have the cosy qualities of an old cardigan.

For once, sex, power and politics don't count. I have one friend who longs to hear the rolling of tumbrils, another who thinks Norman Tebbitt is a dangerous pinko. Another, I believe, shares his moment of private passion with young Mediterranean waiters. None of this matters. We have sat in deckchairs at home and watched cricketer Imran Khan rise to his toes to square drive, we have spun for pike on a misty lake in Sussex, and shared a quiet hour in the sun outside a friendly restaurant.

Women find such uncontrived simplicity hard to believe, and suspect that men can gather together only to plot some form of sexual insurrection.

For years, three of us went to the Greyhound every Sunday evening. Our wives were baffled by this arrangement. In terms of icy amusement, mine used to say: "Well, I expect you are going to see your little friends again?" She managed to make them sound like dwarfs with disgusting personal habits. One of the other wives made a show of saintly tolerance in the face of such perversity: "I don't care what they do," she sighed. "I just get on with the ironing."

So what did we get up to? The last time, as I recall, John spoke with affection of his begonias and their successful transference to avoid frost. This permitted Ted to give a brief summary of a successful fishing trip to Scotland. Pete, whose week had been uneventful, restricted himself to general comments on the quality of the beer and his abominable luck at dominoes. We all shared in the ritual of feeding crisps to Pete's dog which, we all agreed, was a very fine specimen of its kind, if only we knew which kind.

All right, it might not do much for Robert Robinson and his friends who read out their witty spontaneities on *Stop the Week*, but it was a very pleasant hour.

When they announced that Reagan and Gorbachov were to meet in Iceland, I wondered if this was not merely an attempt to find world peace, but perhaps something a good deal rarer and more illusive: a simmering male friendship.

It has all the classical features. They met through business, and overcame a period of suspicion by exchanging gifts in the same way that sales directors send each other leather-bound diaries. "Thought you might like this dissident, Mr R. Very good of you Mr G, have a spy. Fancy a drink one evening? Meet you half way – how about Reykjavik?" Mark my words, another 10 years or so and they'll be calling themselves Ron and Mik and swapping tips on power drills.

Because it is hard won, friendship among men is cherished. We won't share the secrets of our begonias with just anybody, you know. Unlike women, we have no wish to engage in casual relationships.

In any case, I don't think convention would allow me to go to the cinema with a man friend. I certainly couldn't telephone a man and say "Hello George, we met the other day at Tom's and I wondered if you'd like to walk your dog with me."

No doubt we are restrained by the fear that we may appear less than rigid in the wrist, but I think we are more influenced by the historic reluctance of British men to gush emotions at each other.

No, this is not going to turn into one of those laments about our sang-froid. I don't envy Latins their freedom to chew each other's necks and weep all over the napery. On the contrary, I rather admire the decent reticence with which men here construct their cautious friendships.

The convention is that men in Britain are allowed to meet only to pursue a shared interest, from which springs all those clubs. It doesn't matter particularly whether it's squash or chess, or whispered government secrets within the panelled rooms of St James, so long as it provides the social lubrication for friendship.

It can take months, years even, for men to plot through the elaborate procedure of ignoring each other, casual nods, mutter about the weather, shake hands, exchange names, and then finally begin talking; until one day they arrive at the point where they can say: "I was talking to this chum of mine last night . . ."

What else can I say? Bit embarrassing really. I mean, don't want to look soppy or anything. All I'm saying is, we don't make a lot of friends. Heavens no. But when we do, well, it means a lot. That's all.

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BRIEFLY

A round-up of news, views and information

Mapped out

Did you know that 72 per cent of doctors in the USSR are women? Or realize that in Britain, women comprise 94 per cent of the part-time workforce? Or even that 56,400 American women had nose jobs during 1984? These are some of the unusual statistics from *Women in the World* (Pan, £7.95), by Joni Seager and Ann Olson.

For the first time, an atlas puts women on the map, globally, focusing on topics such as contraception, rape, beauty contests and marriage, with charts comparing the relative position of women around the world. It is shaming to realize that women form half the world's population, one-third of its labour force – yet earn only 10 per cent of the world's income and own just one per cent of its property.

A big help

The growing acceptability of "the well-lunched look" continues to hearten larger women who have long lamented the blind eye turned to their fashion plight by mainstream magazines. Big women need feel ignored no longer; *Cachet* and *Extra Special* both hit the bookstalls this month, devoting coverage to the particular problems women size 16 and over have finding unfrumpy fashions, plus health and diet advice and items of general interest.

Knit kits

With so many mothers pursuing careers, there is too little time to pass on to inquiring youngsters the homely skills of knitting. Taking over where Mummy left off are Sirdar's Absolute Beginners patterns, which sensibly assume that the reader does not know one end of a needle from the other. They unravel the mysteries of the art with step-by-step instructions to guide would-be knitters from casting on to finishing off a range of simple but stylish garments. Aimed ostensibly at teenagers, and priced at 65p from wool shops and department stores, it offers designs to suit even the most mature novice.

Josephine Fairley

Consumer minus the 'con'

The next salvo in the war against shoddy and often dangerous goods will soon be fired in Parliament



The defeat of the Sunday Trading Bill this year has not deterred the Government from venturing into the High Street. During the coming session it will introduce the Consumer Protection Bill, designed to protect the customer against faulty goods. Trade Secretary Paul Channon discussed the new "shoppers' charter" at the Conservative conference yesterday.

As ever, it will spark off disagreement on both sides of the counter, but unlike Sunday trading no deep division of principle is involved. The details, however, will be hard-fought between the interests of consumers and suppliers. Onerous new burdens are about to be placed on the latter, whether manufacturers, importers, or retailers.

The legislation has three main objectives: to curb the sale of unsafe goods, to give the customer better redress, and to end misleading price indications, otherwise known as bargain offers.

The passing of the Bill, years in the making, will mean that shopkeepers and their suppliers will face full liability for defects in the goods they handle. They will have a statutory duty to ensure that *all* the goods they sell are safe, under threat of prosecution if they are not. At a stroke this will beef up consumer safety law, which at present is confined to a limited range of goods, such as like electricals, cots and toys. The main question here is whether the new law should extend to second-hand goods as well.

A more radical innovation will be a new right for consumers to claim compensation if they are harmed by defective goods. They will not have to prove negligence; only that the product had a defect. Moreover, the law of contract will also be by-passed. At the moment, if unsafe goods are passed on as a gift, the recipient has no comeback. In future the rights which now apply only to the buyer will be given to all users. Customers can sue the shop, which will pass the claim up the chain of supply to the manufacturer or importer.

The big argument will be over the so-called *development risk defence*. This lets the manufacturer off the hook if his product conforms to the state of the art. He is not liable for unforeseeable defects. Critics say this would rule out compensation in another thalidomide incident.

Finally, what is a bargain? The Bill's aim is to ensure that "Bargain, 99p" truly implies either a price reduction or that the article is worth more than 99p.

The trouble lies in trying to define what is misleading. The Government has produced a code of practice, but retailers say it is so full of holes that it will become not a shoppers' guide but a rogues' charter.

John Warden

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Time will be short on our special offer cross-Channel day trip, but there are plenty of places for a quick but highly satisfying meal

Choice and cheerful



Continental restaurants still provide an exceptional standard of food, now hideously pricey in Britain, and fixed menu meals do not turn out, on presentation of the bill, to have been subject to all sorts of hidden additional charges for cover, bread, service and tax.

The cheapest three-course meals in Boulogne, for example, come at 38 francs (around £4), and are built around adequate steak and chips. If you have an hour to spare, book into L'Huitrière, 11 Place Lorraine (tel. 010.33.21.31.35.27), a simple, tiny dining-room tucked behind a fish shop. The chef's smoked fish salad and grilled sole costs about £10 a person.

If you are willing to spend more and have a little longer, La Charlotte, 11 rue du Doyen (010.33.21.30.13.08), has an exquisite way with fresh fish, and La Liégoise at 10 rue Mosigny (010.33.21.31.61.15), serves nouvelle-ish menus from about £8.

The best bets in the old town are the Haute Ville, to be found at 60 rue de Lille (010.33.21.80.54.10), and the strident An Bascaille La, 16 place Godefroy de Bouillon (010.33.21.80.57.30).

Serious gastronomes have the choice between the elegant La Matelote, situated at 80 Boulevard St.-Beuve, (010.33.21.30.17.97), where the specialities include scallops en papillote and feuilleté of crab, or La Hostellerie de la Rivière at 17 rue Gare, Pont-de-Briques, on the edge of town (010.33.21.32.22.81), where the cuisine is less refined, more robust.

Calais is not as richly endowed. The long-established English favourite is Le Channel at 3 Boulevard de la Résistance on the seafront (010.33.21.34.42.30), featuring reasonably priced menus and solid traditional cooking.

La Sole Meunière (010.33.21.34.43.01) next door is less comfortable, but a little cheaper. Ostend has the most accomplished (and expensive) restaurant in any of our Channel ports – Au Vigneron at Koningstraat 79 (010.32.59.704816) – but you must wait until it reopens on October 31 to indulge in its specialities of lobster, turbot and sole. The best alternatives are the Hostellerie Bretonne, Vindictivelaan 23, by the yacht harbour (010.32.59.704222), and the Prince Charles, at Visserskaai 19 (010.32.59.705066).

Zeebrugge, though short of shops, has a good run of restaurants around the fishing port. Along Rederskaai my first two choices would be Chalut and Slipway.

Make sure you catch the French connection

This autumn, in conjunction with Townsend Thoresen, *The Times* is offering its readers away-days to France and Belgium for ridiculously low prices.

From Monday October 20 until Sunday November 30 you can take a trip from Dover to Calais, Boulogne, Ostend or Zeebrugge (or from Felixstowe to Zeebrugge) for £5 each, plus another £5 for your car. However, if four or more of you travel together in a single car, the car goes free – so the cost of a trip for four and a car is just £20. Townsend Thoresen are not affected by industrial action on ferry services.

The trips are perfectly timed for early Christmas shoppers. Calais, Boulogne and Ostend all have hypermarkets close by and Bruges, within easy reach of Zeebrugge, is an excellent shopping centre.

Or you can simply spoil *yourself*. Boulogne has some of the best food shops in France and a bustling Saturday market, while Calais, an ancient lace centre, is rich in its port life.

Ostend is, of course, a busy fishing port, Zeebrugge has a fascinating harbour whilst Bruges is probably Northern Europe's best- preserved medieval city.

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And so to co-ed?

The governing body of Magdalene College, Cambridge, meets tomorrow night to decide whether it should remain Oxbridge's last all-male college. David Calcutt, the Master, has circulated members past and present asking them whether admitting women undergraduates and fellows would fundamentally change the college's character. Although Calcutt hotly denies that the circular amounts to a referendum, I am told that more than 1,000 replies have so far been received and that roughly 50 per cent are in favour of change. Sponsors of the motion say that Magdalene's status as a male bastion is an anachronism that explains its current position at the bottom of the Cambridge academic league. The resolution requires a two-thirds majority vote. *Calcutt's own position is clearly a* sensitive issue: when I tried to probe him yesterday, he abruptly put down the telephone.

Retiring

Few rising politicians turn down invitations to appear on television, but Edwina Currie tells me that, after Monday night's appearance on *World In Action*, she is tired of seeing herself on the box and is keeping her head down. "It was all a diversion while my boss, Tony Newton, was getting married last week," *she claims of her* recent notoriety. Can this be the same Edwina Currie who once wrote to BBC TV's *Question Time* pining for a repeat invitation?

Fogeys all

In search of Bournemouth nightlife, I made my way on Monday evening to the South-East Young Conservatives discotheque. Alas, dancing does not seem to appeal to today's YCs. The dance floor stayed empty all evening while they settled down to serious talk of South Africa and privatization. Oldtimers at the conference tell me that such abstention was unknown in their younger days.

● **Anthony Beaumont-Dark, MP for Sellyoak, is certain to endure the greatest number of body-searches during the conference. He has a metal hip joint, which sets alarm systems ringing wherever he goes.**

Archer rules

Who says Tory deputy chairman Jeffrey Archer lacks authority? To the dismay of waiting photographers, the small girl presenting the bouquet to Mrs Thatcher as she arrived at the conference hotel was so overcome by shyness that she kept her head bent firmly down. As Mrs Thatcher, in turn, leaned towards her, Archer took command. "Head up," he ordered briskly. In unison the girl and Mrs Thatcher snapped to attention.

BARRY FANTONI



'Not a seaside town. The noise of standing ovations keeps me awake'

Dry dock

David Johnston, who is leading the management bid to take over Devenport Dockyard, tells me he has sent his own invitation to Alan Clark, Minister for Trade, following Clark's public statement last week apparently backing rivals Foster-Wheeler. "I think he should now hear what we have to say," says Johnston. Clark, I now learn, did not speak after attending a champagne reception thrown by Foster-Wheeler, as I suggested on Monday. In fact his controversial comment followed a meeting with the American-owned consortium in his Whitehall office. Far from free-flowing bubbly, he assures me he did not even serve coffee.

Enough said

Poet and *Spectator* columnist P.J. Kavanagh has apologized with characteristic elegance to Brendan Behan's brother, Brian, who had complained about Kavanagh's remark on Radio Four's *Have A Good Read* that Brendan had died of "an excess of his own publicity." Behan has received a letter from Kavanagh saying: "I curse my wandering tongue"

Same old Joan

A theatrical home-coming yesterday for Joan Littlewood when she returned from France to open a new Actors' Centre in Manchester. It will be a base for the profession's legion of unemployed and will follow the experimental example of her famous Theatre Workshop, which she started in Manchester in the 1940s. I am glad to report that the now reclusive Littlewood has shed none of her old eccentricities: "Everybody can act, except actors" (I delete the expletive), she declared.

PHS

A breathing spell to bring down crime

by Christie Davies

The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, is sure to attract sharp *criticism from the professional* progressives for his forthright statement that the big increase in crime in Britain in the last 50 years is not the result of poverty, unemployment or bad housing. Ultra-progressives will no doubt deny that any such rise has occurred, while double locking their doors and sending their daughters to judo classes; the pink and soggy will continue to take refuge in the belief, with Lord Scarman, that muggers, rioters and rapists are bred by deprivation *and environmental decay.*

The harsh truth is that Lord Lane is right. The early 1930s, for all the unemployment, grim poverty and squalid slums, were a time of remarkable though not quite "unprecedented lawfulness." As far as one can tell it was but one phase of that curious interlude of safety and respectability which separated early Victorian high criminality from its present day counterpart. It was a time when commentators as diverse and radical as Geoffrey Gorer and George Orwell wondered at the disappearance of the "bad old days" when people lived in fear of robbery and assault.

The sharp decline in violence and dishonesty in the latter half of the 19th century, to be followed by an even sharper rise during the last 50 years, is not a purely British phenomenon. In Sweden the triumph of the Social Democratic welfare state has been accompanied by a corresponding rise in criminality. It is a disturbing pattern for progressives to accept, let alone explain.

The fallacy of the deprivation thesis is that it extrapolates illicitly from the fact that poor, unemployed, and slum-dwelling people seem more likely to commit crimes than others to a view of the overall causes of the aggregate level of crime. On this view more welfare, more jobs, better housing ought to eliminate crime. But they don't. During the last half century *crime rates have climbed in good* times and not so good times alike.

Only in Victorian England and Strindbergian Sweden did levels of dishonesty, though not necessarily violence, rise in response to periods of dearth caused by the swings of the business cycle, poor harvests or interrupted trade. The steady long-term fall of crime in the latter half of the 19th century is punctuated by zigs and zags that reflect years of sudden prosperity or poverty.

It is in fact the conventional progressive wisdom that is to blame for the lawlessness of our times. If you tell people often enough, loudly enough and *authoritatively enough that not* they but their economic circumstances and environment are to blame for any crimes they may commit, sooner or later they will half believe you. Those who preach this social gospel provide the morally uncertain with a ready-made set of excuses

If Lord Lane is puzzled as to the causes of the "lowering of standards" in our society that he so much deplores, he should read the reports that people like Lord Scarman love to write. They contain no answers, but within them and hundreds of other equally well-meaning government and academic studies lies the litmus-pink acid that has cumulatively dissolved the commonsense notion that each individual is responsible for his or her crimes.

The response of most West European societies, other than perhaps Switzerland, to the inequalities believed to breed crime has been the creation of *impersonal state bureaucracies* that have destroyed the local controls that once kept crime in check. The large, disorderly comprehensive school, the municipal tower blocks, the rate-subsidized leisure centre built like an aircraft carrier are all planned answers to problems that in practise have only exacerbated them. The mad search for bureaucratic equality has destroyed the previous limited scale of human life that enabled us to restrain one another enough to make urban living tolerable.

Will we then be engulfed by a "huge wave of crime" as Lord Lane predicts? Most of the people who resort to violence, theft or vandalism are male, aged between 15 and 25 and drawn from the lowest classes in society. Thanks to the *fall in the birth rate of this* group in the 1970s there will be fewer young trouble-makers around in the immediate future and crime rates could level off and even fall. Whether we can exploit this brief respite to create institutions that will tame the delinquent offspring of today's delinquents depends on our willingness to heed and understand Lord Lane's vital message.

Tim Congdon argues that monetary growth and low inflation cannot go hand in hand for ever: the question, during Tory conference week, is when the crunch will come

Lawson's sterling dilemma



Sterling M3, the broad measure of money which includes all bank deposits, was once slandered, as the wayward mistress of the government's financial policy. In fact it is proving a loyal and trustworthy guide to economic conditions. Over the last year, while it has risen by almost 20 per cent, far above the already generous official target range of between 11 and 15 per cent, the economy has started to display several classic symptoms of excessive monetary expansion.

House prices, a key influence on consumer sentiment, have advanced by 15 per cent. In some areas, notably London and the South-East, the increase has been much sharper, driven by the easy availability of mortage credit. The exchange rate has tumbled, particularly against the European currencies, with the pound's rate against the deutschmark down by 25 per cent since last October.

Neither a strong grasp of basic economic principles nor a profound knowledge of Britain's financial history since the war are required to understand that rapid house price increases and severe exchange rate depreciation are likely to lead to an acceleration in inflation. Large house price gains make people feel richer and encourage more spending in the *shops, which makes it easier for* companies to raise prices; exchange rate depreciation not only adds directly to the cost of imports but also enables industry to put up prices in sterling terms with less fear of foreign competition.

The Chancellor has both a strong grasp of basic economic principles and a profound knowledge of Britain's financial history over the last 40 years. He is aware of the dangers in the present situation. However, in his address to the Conservative Party con*ference tomorrow he will probably* not express great concern.

He may confine himself to a few short words on the current low level of inflation. His largely uncritical audience may not want to hear anything much about inflation prospects over the next two or three years, which are far less satisfactory. It will certainly not like to be told that "sound money", far from being an empty phrase, sometimes needs to be supported by higher interest rates.

The City cannot be fobbed off so easily. In his Mansion House speech on October 16 Lawson will have to give his diagnosis of the latest financial troubles. As on the same occasion in 1984 and 1985, he may question the significance of sterling M3 as a target aggregate and play down the risks inherent in its rapid expansion, even if he does not now altogether trust his own complacency.

In fact, sterling M3 was under reasonably good control until the spring of last year. The rate of growth was somewhat above the *cautious targets which then* prevailed, but at 11, 12 or 13 per cent a year it was not wildly excessive. The leap to almost 20 per cent has occurred during the last 18 months, for two main reasons.

First, a remarkable boom in housing finance has developed, with every likelihood that mortgage credit will be 40 per cent higher in 1986 than 1985. To a large extent this boom has been met by the building societies from their own resources. But the banks have also been involved, partly in *providing funds to the building* societies and partly in lending for house purchase on their own account. As every new bank loan creates a deposit, and as the money supply is dominated by bank deposits, the banks' increased participation in the mortgage market has made a big contribution to faster monetary growth.

Secondly, in the middle of last year the government decided to change the tactics of financial management, in the apparent belief that this would not undermine its strategy of monetary control. It stopped "over-funding", a practice common in the early 1980s which had involved selling government debt in larger amounts than the budget deficit. Over-funding was being blamed for certain distortions in the money markets.

The subject is complicated and technical, but very important. A good argument can be made that the distortions were for the most part phantoms of the Treasury's imagination and, insofar as they existed, were trivial in relation to the overriding priority of monetary restraint. As over-funding had been a successful method of neutralizing the monetary effects of excessive bank lending, it had become an essential instrument in the control of sterling M3. From this point of view, its abandonment was certain to lead to an acceleration in sterling M3 growth, which is exactly what has happened.

What is to be done? The government's answer appears to be nothing, if possible. For the time being interest rates are not to be raised, the mortgage boom can be allowed to proceed on its merry way and monetary growth may continue at an annual rate of virtually 20 per cent.

This may sound foolhardy and ill-advised, but it is not entirely so. For most of 1985 and 1986 the international economic environment has been unfavourable for industrial growth in Britain. But the government, faced with a remorseless rise in unemployment, wants that growth badly, both on general social grounds and for more self-interested political reasons. It has therefore been glad to achieve, whether by design or not, an unsustainable spurt in monetary growth.

This is one of those cases where an economist's lag is the *politician's blessing. The excess* monetary growth may stimulate inflation two or three years ahead, but in the meantime the strength of the demand for housing and consumer goods, and the boost to exports from sterling's depreciation, are good for economic activity. The result may even, to everyone's astonishment, be a significant fall in unemployment.

Perhaps it was a mistake to end over-funding and perhaps it is irresponsible to let mortgage credit grow so fast. But perhaps also, through their technical misunderstandings, the monetary authorities have blundered into an altogether appropriate policy for a government anxious to reduce unemployment.

The objection is that sterling M3 growth at annual rates of 20 per cent cannot be reconciled with 2 per cent inflation for ever. Financial markets appreciate that measures may be postponed for three months, six months or even a year, while the economy builds up a head of reflationary steam. But they also know that, sooner or later, action must be taken.

The most disastrous outcome for the government would be a sharp rise in interest rates, made obligatory by an embarrassing sterling crisis, just before a general election. The politically astute approach may therefore be to jack up rates in the near future and hope to have enough time to reduce them before an election is called. There are risks in this, because it would aggravate the government's unpopularity in the short term. But there are also risks in doing nothing, as it would be Micawberish to hope that something will turn up to avert the wrath of the financial markets.

The latest episode of financial turbulence demonstrates, if demonstration were needed, that *monetary policy always relies on* discretion and judgement. There is no mechanical formula for interest rate setting even in a country which has had monetary targets, and made some pretence at achieving them, for a decade. Much of the uncertainty in this instance arises because decisions about interest rates and the date of an election are interrelated.

If base rates are kept at 10 per cent (or even reduced in line with favourable international developments), the economy should bound forward in coming months and the government will probably aim at an election next year, perhaps even as early as the spring. If base rates increase soon, it will hope to capitalize on falling rates in the course of 1987 and the election will be in early 1988.

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Why Trident might never be scrapped

George Younger, the Defence Secretary, will rally the party faithful behind the Tory Trident-based defence strategy at Bournemouth today while firing another salvo against Labour's non-nuclear policy. But some opposition politicians and defence analysts believe the Cabinet will not simply leave it to the voters at the next election to guarantee continuation of the programme.

The government, they suggest, is speeding up the submarine building programme to make it that much harder for a non-Tory administration to scrap Trident, while drawing up potentially crippling penalty clauses in the contracts should it try.

Mrs Thatcher laid the keel for the first of the four intended Trident submarines, HMS Vanguard, at the Vickers yard at Barrow-in-Furness last month. Much of a £500 million programme of improvements to the Faslane submarine base in Scotland and the nearby Coulport missile station have been completed and development work on the nuclear warheads for Trident is said to be nearing completion at the Atomic Weapons Research *Establishment at Aldermaston.* They will be made at the Royal Ordnance Factory at Burghfield, in Berkshire.

Although the government will not discuss production schedules some analysts believe that manufacture of the warheads will have to begin soon if they are to be ready when the first Trident missiles arrive in Britain, probably within two years of their becoming operational with the US Navy in 1989. Each missile can carry up to eight warheads and each submarine can carry 16 missiles, although the government has persistently refused to say how many will in fact be carried.

Analysts estimate a warhead production cycle of fewer than six a year. Warhead development and production accounts for 28 per cent of the near £10 billion Trident programme, with £600 million having already been spent. If Labour cancelled the programme, existing warheads would have to be dismantled and the production facilities scrapped.

Mrs Thatcher would undoubtedly like to speed the programme but service chiefs and defence analysts alike concede that it is moving at the best possible rate. There is little, if anything, that the government can do to chivvy it along.

Financial penalties is the crucial issue in the event of cancellation. Vickers has *negotiated a penalty* clause guaranteeing it 125 per cent of the value of the contract – more than £800 million – if it is cancelled before the order for the second submarine, now under discussion, is placed. American companies with contracts totalling more than £4 billion are believed to have negotiated similar clauses.

Within the government it is insisted that these are merely the result of commercial negotiations with companies concerned about the loss of huge investment if long-term contracts are suddenly cancelled, but there is also acknowledgement that it would help to make the Trident programme that much harder to unravel.

Earlier this year Ministry of Defence sources said that as well as money already spent, a further £1,800 million had been committed and up to £2,000 million more could be committed over the next few years. At its height, Trident will provide work for 25,000 in this country.

Spending and production reach their peak in 1988 and will continue at that level for at least three years. It is in 1988, if Mrs Thatcher runs her full term and *loses the election, that an anti-*Trident government would want to cancel.

For the Tories the issue of defence will be a better election platform than unemployment or the economy. But according to Alliance politicians the government is bent on presenting the electorate with a straight "Trident or nothing" choice; they complain that British Aerospace has assured them privately that it could develop a *cruise, vertical-launch* missile that could replace Polaris instead of Trident but has been gagged by the MoD from discussing the possibility publicly.

David Gates, of the Department of Defence Studies at Aberdeen University, points out another possible side effect of Labour's policy. Much of the uranium based fuel that powers Britain's 18 nuclear submarines, with more to come, is provided by the Americans. If Labour sends them packing will they still feel obliged to continue the arrangement? If not, where will the fuel come from with a government committed to phasing out the civil nuclear power programme too?

Cancellation would prove more costly and complicated than Labour *imagines; and should the* Alliance figure in the next government it might discover that, when the time comes to replace Polaris, Trident could then be the cheapest option available.

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Tory pressures all must fight

Ministers cannot speak about our system of government without someone supposing they are making an immediately topical point. Thus argued the Home Secretary, Douglas Hurd, in a recent speech – and promptly demonstrated the validity of his point with a vicious assault on Britain's vital and vigorous pressure groups.

Likening them to the serpents embracing Laocoön, he accused them of acting against the general good; of distorting the *constitu*tional relationship between Parliament and the electorate and of threatening the "proper accountability" of the executive. Ministers, he said, must "shake themselves free" of this embrace.

Coming from a member of a Cabinet not noted for its constitutional delicacy, this is rich. Coming from the least representative and most highly centralizing of post-war governments, it is dangerous. The trades unions having been broken and the autonomy of local authorities demolished, the pressure groups are clearly the next of this government's organized critics due to come under the hammer of conviction politics.

Hurd made his speech in a week in which loyal Tories went to jail over their protest against the proposed dumping of nuclear waste and the government was attacked for failing to give Kentish Tories a fair hearing before the Channel Tunnel Bill Committee, so the immediate cause of his irritation can be easily identified.

But if he and his Cabinet colleagues feel besieged by pressure groups, they have only themselves to blame. It is an ancient reflex of uneasy rulers to shoot the bringers of unwelcome tidings. The message brought by the growth in the number, activity and influence of pressure groups *is* that our system of parliamentary democracy is suffering an acute crisis of authority.

There are 154,000 registered charities in Britain and perhaps as many local and national organizations which do not have a charitable status. Pressure groups have been responsible for much of the social innovation in Britain. In health, education and the social services most new developments in policy and practice have begun in organizations such as Mind *(mental health)* and Nacro *(penal* reform). An array of pressure groups have been urging action on drugs for more than a decade. In the 1960s, Shelter transformed the approach to housing policy. Regarding the environment, development and disarmament, it has consistently been pressure groups that set the pace and spearheaded change.

The accountability of the executive to Parliament which Hurd thinks threatened is almost wholly bogus. Party policy is formed in *secret by small caucuses of ac*tivists, assembled for reasons that owe at least as much to personal ambition, factional loyalty or constituency interest as they do to expertise or ability to define the general interest. The results, blessed by ritual debates at party conferences, manipulated by party managers to eliminate the innovative or unpopular and checked by the leadership for ideological purity, are then translated into that peculiar code which political *manifestos use to disguise* their meaning.

Decisions to build airports or motorways, to close schools or hospitals, to reorganize services or to rearrange institutions have become more and more the *prerogative* of ministers and civil servants remote from the people. The political parties, operating with procedures and attitudes appropriate to the last century, have failed progressively to close the gap between their decisions and those they affect: a vacuum into which the pressure groups have flooded in increasing numbers. Unconstrained by the conventions of class war, they have become mediators between the rulers and the ruled.

It is hard to see why this should *give Hurd such offence.* They operate, as do political parties, in the free market of ideas. If what they offer is thought by many millions of our citizens, as it clearly is, to be worth paying for, why should their activities be constrained? A mercantilist Tory administration is not well placed to complain if it turns out to be uncompetitive in these market places. Nor is there refuge in the argument that pressure groups are unrepresentative. So, too, are political parties. Some two million people belong to political parties in Britain: far fewer than the three million members of environmental pressure groups alone.

Elections may confer legitimacy on a government, but not authority. That must be earned. The failure of the politicians to *reform their own institutions,* while busy reforming everything else, makes it more difficult for Parliament to re-establish authority in the face of the well informed and well organized challenges from pressure groups.

Six measures would enormously strengthen Parliament's hand in the struggle to re-establish its authority: proportional representation, to broaden its representative claims; a reformed second chamber which could include many of the informed voices now left with no choice but to shout from outside; stronger select committees with the staff and power to carry out thorough investigations; a tripling of the current provision of staff for individual MPs; a Freedom of Information Act to remove the cloak of secrecy that so stifles informed discussion of policy; and a Bill of Rights to protect the individual from the executive.

Such measures would dislocate the chains of patronage and privacy which have for so long suppressed initiative, independence and enterprise in British politics. But the alternative is an endless war of attrition between an unreformed Parliament and an under-represented public.

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Waiting for the City crash

Today, all you ever cared to know about the Big Bang.

Q. What exactly is the Big Bang?
A. It's what President Reagan is leading up to, isn't it?
Q. No.
A. Well, maybe it's this new daily newspaper. Or maybe it's the name of a new wine bar.
Q. No. It's something that's going to happen to the Stock Exchange on October 27.
A. If you knew that, why on earth are you asking me these questions?
Q. Because that's my job. That's why I'm called Q. I ask you questions, you give the answers, then everyone gets the picture.
A. And that's actually a very good illustration of how the Stock Exchange has worked up to now. Stockbrokers have had one role, jobbers have had another, and the whole thing has become a bit constricting. So when you ask, what does the Big Bang involve, I would say, abandoning the stereotyped roles these people have had.
Q. But I haven't, have I?
A. Haven't what?
Q. Asked you that question. About what the Big Bang involves. *You're giving an answer to a* question I haven't even asked.
A. God, you're getting impossible to work with. All right, ask me the question.
Q. What will happen when the Big Bang comes?
A. The whole of the Stock Exchange will be demolished by a huge explosion and be turned into a National Car Park. Afterwards, everyone will go home and do all their buying of stocks and shares on little green computer screens.
Q. But if they all work at home nobody will need a car park in the City, will they?
A. No, but NCP haven't thought of that.
Q. How did all this Big Bang stuff begin?
A. When Cecil Parkinson was in the Cabinet he told the Stock Exchange that if they didn't get rid of their restrictive practices, he would do it for them and they would be for the high jump.
Q. And what happened?
A. Well, oddly enough, it turned out to be Cecil Parkinson who was for the high jump.
Q. Why didn't they just lie low and hope Cecil Parkinson would forget all about it?
A. Well, I suppose they knew that even if Cecil Parkinson forgot, Sarah Keays would never forget. So now they have rushed all the changes through and the balloon goes up in three weeks.
Q. From the car park?
A. Absolutely. There will be jazz bands and morris dancing and an all-day bar and everything.
Q. Why is Big Bang always written with two capital B's?
A. Because it would look silly with two capital W's. Wig Wang. No, it doesn't look right.
Q. Can the public buy shares in the Big Bang?
A. Certainly. On October 27 the Big Bang will be privatized and two or three million ordinary people will turn up, crazed with greed and avarice, trampling each other to death in an effort to get shares.
Q. In the car park?
A. That's right. Unfortunately, all the shares will already have been doled out privately by the people who run the Stock Exchange.
Q. Who has been most instrumental in the evolution of the Big Bang?
A. Duke Ellington. I would say, though Count Basie and Woody Herman were very important, and we shouldn't forget Benny Goodman and Tommy Dorsey.
Q. Aren't you thinking of the Big Band, not Big Bang?
A. Yes.
Q. Why?
A. It's much more interesting. Also, you can tap your feet to Duke Ellington, but you can't to the Big Bang.
Q. What will be the main effect of the Big Bang on society?
A. Lots more people will be making phone calls from their cars at high speeds, and the road death toll will go up. Laws will be introduced compelling them to make their phone calls from a large car park in the City. And lots of people will make money from writing articles about the Big Bang.
Q. But will anyone be any the wiser?
A. No.

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MR BAKER'S PARENT POWER

It has long been plain that education (which means in this context the education provided by the state) would be a priority issue for Conservative Conference representatives. It matters to many of them personally, and it matters to the great majority of voters who have no alternative but to accept for their children what the state provides.

In yesterday's debate, all the old anxieties were again expressed. There was worry about the attempts of left-wing authorities (especially ILEA) to destroy voluntary aided schools. There was concern about the too great size of comprehensives; about money spent by some local authorities on indoctrination at the expense of genuine education. There was deep anger about the manipulation of children against the wishes of their parents by means of corrupting forms of sex education and so-called peace studies.

But through it all ran an over-riding question. How can parents regain responsibility for their children's education from local authorities who want to use their power for political ends? More broadly, since the voucher scheme had been ground into the dust by the civil servants of the Department of Education under Sir Keith Joseph, what hope remains for promoting parental responsibility under Mr Baker?

His speech was distinctly encouraging, particularly in respect of the two attempts he announced to dent the power of local authorities. The decision to take the decisions about sex education away from teachers and Local Authorities, and to give it instead to the new kind of governing bodies (which already under the Education Bill will have much more parental representation) is wholly to be commended.

At present, parents often have little or no idea what kind of instruction their children are receiving or what sort of books and videos are being used. The recent case of the so-called sex education book showing two semi-naked male lovers in bed with a small girl was a grave enough sign.

It may not, however, be the worst kind of abuse. Some of the sex education books in use in schools are so fundamentally indecent and devoid of any moral standards, apart from a kind of bogus hedonism, as to be almost impossible to quote from in a newspaper. Yet children with malleable minds are subjected to them.

Mr Baker is right to conclude that there would be great difficulty in giving parents an absolute right to withdraw their children from sex education classes. In some circumstances angry teachers might use it to shame children removed from such lessons. It is far better to give control of the material and the manner of sex education to governing bodies which, as Mr Baker plans, will be answerable to an annual parents' meeting.

He should also consider giving opportunities for members of governing bodies to go into classrooms and see for themselves the way in which this delicate subject is being taught. Certainly, if Labour MPs resist the amendment of the Eduction Bill to give governing bodies this new responsibility, it will be a clear demonstration that, despite Mr Kinnock's appeal to a "moral majority", his real obedience is to the moral minorities which, in many Labour local authorities, deliberately flout parents' wishes.

In the long run, however, Mr Baker's announcement of a pilot scheme of 20 new secondary schools in urban areas (city technology colleges) may be far more important. For these schools which will have an emphasis on technical, scientific and practical work and will be government funded, will be run entirely independently by educational trusts. Indeed it seems that this is Mr Baker's first tentative answer to the apparent relegation of the voucher scheme.

He intends to fund the schools on a per capita basis in relation to the number of pupils. There seems to be no reason why the scheme should not expand as new trusts come forward to found new schools and the Government provides financial support to the results of genuine local responsibility.

It is a new permutation of the old voluntary aided and direct grant ideas, and it could begin to make good the destruction of the many quality schools in the switch to massive comprehensives. The scheme will, above all, provide the state system with competition.

It will take a good deal of time, however, before it is possible to have any clear idea of how far the scheme will spread and in the meantime Mr Baker should not dismiss the idea of returning in the Tory manifesto to some variant of the voucher scheme.

Yesterday he showed himself a strong critic of the educational fashions dominant since the sixties, from huge comprehensives, mixed ability teaching, the preference for "free expression" over solid learning, the destruction of grammar schools and pupil indoctrination. He took two significant steps towards reversing this trend. He should not fear to continue along the path towards greater responsibility for parents. For if he does so, he will be backed by the great majority of public opinion.

A PROPERTY-OWNING NATION

Housing is an area where the Government has largely succeeded in its general attempt to alter the balance from public to private provision. Over 60 per cent of householders now own their own homes — and Mr John Patten, the Housing Minister, predicted in his speech to yesterday's Conservative Conference that a further million people would purchase their homes in the next five years.

What we have today is a well-maintained housing stock, concentrated in the private sector, which is growing steadily though less rapidly than in the seventies. This rests upon a financial base in which mortgages sustain most construction, and government money has been partly cut back and partly re-directed from construction to renovation.

Yet problems persist. The most distressing is the growing number of homeless people. Less visible — but a symptom of the same causes — are the 16,000 householders who last year saw their homes repossessed when they failed to meet mortgage interest payments and, as the recent *Home Front* series in the *Times* pointed out, the many thousands more who tremble on the brink of non-payment.

In addition, Mr Patten yesterday identified three groups whom the present housing market frustrates: newly married couples who cannot afford to buy a house at prevailing prices; home-owners who cannot move from North to South because of vast regional disparities in house prices; and people who cannot obtain a council house.

These groups, apparently diverse, are in fact victims of an inflexible market in which choice is effectively restricted to a shrinking public sector and an increasingly expensive mortgage. Rent control has dried up the supply of private rented accommodation and forced people to buy houses when their circumstances might have made renting more appropriate. The corresponding increased demand for ownership has pushed up house prices. And mortgage interest tax relief has aggravated demand and pushed up house prices still further.

Mr Patten was bolder than most of his predecessors when he turned his hand to solutions yesterday. He did not, of course, propose abolishing mortgage tax relief — and rightly. The social benefits of widespread property ownership outweigh the economic disadvantages which, anyway, are yearly less damaging as inflation gradually erodes the value of the tax relief. Mr Patten also shrank from wholesale abolition of rent control.

He made it plain, however, that a future Tory government would gradually dismantle controls on new tenancies. And, to encourage the investment in private rented accommodation that creeping decontrol would make profitable, he announced that building societies and insurance companies would in future be allowed to invest directly in land and building.

By themselves, those two reforms should do much to encourage a revival of the private rented sector over time. As for those who find current house prices just beyond their reach, he promised that future legislation would promote "shared ownership" — a mixture of renting and buying whereby the home-owner buys a share of his property.

The idea is a good one, but it might not suit all potential buyers. What is needed is a wide range of such options. Mr Patten might encourage the banks and building societies to experiment more with such devices as fixed-interest mortgages on the American pattern, or the Law Commission's suggestion of index-linked mortgages. And since first-time buyers are generally embarking on their first major financial commitment, he might consider making a generous grant to the Money Advice Centres where they could receive advice on both the best option for them and exactly how much they can reasonably afford in monthly payments.

For a large minority, the Tory promise of a property-owning democracy remains a dream. Such measures would make it at least a possibility.

A TALE OF TWO WIVES

Eleven months ago in Geneva Nancy Reagan and Raisa Gorbachov provided a diverting spectacle as their husbands engaged in the serious business of summitry. They visited creches, laid wreaths and met for tea. This time the wives have entered the political equation. That is not necessarily a good omen for the summit.

When the Reykjavik meeting was first sprung on an unsuspecting world, it was presented as a strictly working meeting untrammelled by the hundreds of officials, journalists and hangers-on who thronged Geneva last November. Reykjavik had been preferred to London, we were told, for reasons of security and privacy. The summit-that-was-no-summit would be a one-to-one encounter between two statesmen intent on making the world a safer place. The less razzmatazz the better.

A week later, the rendezvous in Reykjavik looks increasingly like a repeat performance of Geneva, scaled down to fit the smaller stage of Reykjavik, and there is no doubt that the Soviet side is making the running. Two days ago Moscow announced the composition of its delegation. No minimalism here: it includes Mr Gorbachov's most senior advisers. The Kremlin also informed the Icelandic government that Mr Gorbachov would be accompanied by his wife.

Washington's annoyed response suggested that Raisa Gorbachov had not been part of the original scheme. It also suggested that White House officials saw more in her travel plans than either her own taste for Nordic sightseeing or her husband's desire for company. They are probably right.

Raisa Gorbachov has been a significant asset to her husband's international diplomacy. By her appearance and general demeanour, she has begun to transform the image of Soviet women in the West. The stereotype of the overweight tractor-driver in a peasant headscarf has been pushed into the background. Soviet leaders have learned how to make themselves understood abroad, and their new first lady has played her part.

Raisa Gorbachov's presence in Reykjavik signals that for all the talk of discretion and privacy, the Soviet side is no less interested in presentation at this interim summit than it was at Geneva. It also compels Washington to decide whether the first lady of the White House should not accompany her husband too.

If she does not, then President Reagan could be at a disadvantage in terms of protocol and presentation. If she does, however, and if — as is rumoured — she is the force behind the President's new interest in peace-making, she might perhaps induce him to give too much away. That is certainly a fear in Washington. It may even be part of the Russian calculation.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Implications of defence change

From Professor Antony Flew

Sir, In your leading article, "Labour's grand illusion" (September 30), you point out that it is the policy of the Labour Party not only to scrap all British nuclear weapons but also to require the US to remove all such weapons from our territory. You also note that Mr Kinnock "would not wish the US to protect Britain with nuclear weapons" because, as he says, "it would be immoral to do so."

So far neither you nor your correspondents have asked the further crucial question: "Why is Labour still proposing to continue with any significant defence spending at all?" It cannot be for purposes of actual defence: not at any rate defence against any nuclear power. For a non-nuclear must always be at the mercy of a nuclear power, save to the extent that the latter is somehow deterred from exploiting its nuclear capability. So what then can be the purpose of Labour's present promise to continue a substantial, strictly non-nuclear contribution to Nato?

Presumably the honest answer would be: "To win the election, by misrepresenting our policy for defencelessness as a policy for defence." Quite certainly, the election safely won, the calls from newly elected Labour MPs to divert such now obviously wasteful spending into more congenial projects would prove irresistible, whatever the present intentions of Messrs Kinnock, Hattersley and Healey may or may not be.

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From Mr Warren D. Feagins

Sir, Critics of Labour's defence policy in your columns seem to favour a "Realpolitik" style which patronizes the naivety of tinkering with Nato's present deployments. Similar arguments were fashionable in the 1960s when, in fact, Nato and the Warsaw Pact were escalating nuclear capability to hair-trigger overkill levels. Less was said then (as now) about the risks, as evidenced by close calls over Berlin and Cuba.

The precedent of 40 uneasy years is a statistically unreliable model for the longer-term survival of humanity. The politicians are hardly likely to advertise the dangers, or to be frank about the central issue — would ordinary citizens/voters rather be dead than red? I cannot see why we should have any more faith in the efficacy of defence policy than the less lethal fumblings of politicians in social or economic affairs.

In common with most ordinary people, my survival and that of my loved ones transcends political dogma. But, on nuclear defence, we are encouraged to marry dogma with what little information is available on the risks. This obscures the central issue, and since people by and large prefer not to think about extinction, a certain inertia results.

Europe's role as the front line of (nuclear) defence for the USA appears rather obvious to everyone *except* the politicians, so I am gratified to observe some harmony between what Mr Kinnock says and the rest of us feel. Indeed, I would be prepared to forgive the Labour Party its widely acclaimed mismanagement of all the other issues just so long as it sticks to this one.

Yours faithfully,
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From Dr R. L. Marshall

Sir, Patriotism, however deeply favoured by Labour Party orators, is not their most familar resort and Mr Kinnock's declarations on it in his address to the party conference are all the more notable and welcome. And it occurs to me, if not to him, that they could have a very strong public appeal.

Most voters base their choices on the general attitudes they perceive in the parties rather than on the details of policies and programmes and his tribute to "our country" and his willingness to make personal sacrifices for it will be widely attractive.

He could well now go on to avow another attitude for which patriotism provides some encouragement. From his confidence in our country it is a short step to acknowledging that other parties have sometimes contributed to its values and possibilities and may contribute again — though, of course, less wholeheartedly or effectively than his own adherents.

This acknowledgement, rather than the present inclination of each of the main parties to concentrate exclusively on denigrating or dismissing all the advocacies and actions of the other, would serve him well both in the improvement of the quality of our political life and at the polls.

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From Dr Geoffrey Lee Williams

Sir, I believe that Major-General Sir John Acland (October 3) is right to assert that Denis Healey owes an explanation to the electorate concerning his apparent volte-face on nuclear weapons.

Mr Healey once argued both in opposition and in government strongly in favour of nuclear deterrence. His Healey theorem became part of the documented history of strategic analysis. The first requirement in resolving Nato's difficulties, he said, was to restore "general confidence in American leadership". He stressed that it was necessary, also, to have consultation about the deployment and use of nuclear weapons to restore European confidence in the Alliance and America's role in it. Planning and consultations had both to be improved, argued Healey, if Nato was to be made workable.

Like Sir John Acland, I respect Denis Healey, but does he deserve such respect today in the light of his weak withdrawal of his statement on BBC Television's *Panorama* that it was "not inconceivable" that Britain might retain nuclear weapons under a Labour government?

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Soviet Jews

From Dr T. M. Ryan

Sir, In his powerfully-argued and moving article ("Prisoners who serve no purpose", September 26) Bernard Levin refers to the virtual absence of Jewish schools and the teaching of Yiddish in the USSR.

It is worth adding that, according to the official census data, the proportion of Soviet Jews speaking the language of their nationality as their mother tongue has registered a marked decline — from 21.5 per cent to 14.2 per cent over the years 1959-79. For all other large ethnic groupings, apart from the Poles, the figures were above 50 per cent and usually well above that level.

Unlike some nationalities, the Jewish population of the USSR is widely dispersed and highly urbanised. However, even when allowance is made for that point, it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that in the case of Soviet Jews the authorities have chosen to pursue a policy of flouting their own Constitution, which in article 45 confers on citizens the right to tuition in their mother tongue.

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From Mr Robert Swann

Sir, I am delighted that Mr Bernard Levin wrote so eloquently about the threat to Jewish culture in the Soviet Union. Far too often the problem is presented as if there were only two choices for Soviet Jews — to stop being "Jews" (in any meaningful sense) or to emigrate to Israel after the necessary diplomatic and economic pressure has been applied on the Soviet Union.

I believe we should campaign equally hard for their right to be, in the fullest sense, Jews in the Soviet Union or to emigrate, if they wish (as the majority apparently do) to countries other than Israel.

Why did Mr Arie Dulzin, Chairman of the International Council of the World Conference for Soviet Jews, tell his audience on September 9 in Paris that they must not work for "free emigration" but for "repatriation to Israel"? I have been told several times that one of the main sticking points holding up emigration is that Israel wants Moscow to agree that Jewish emigrants should go to Israel.

While the Russians might be willing to relax restrictions, they are not prepared to have the destination dictated to them. Is Zionism not, once again, proving itself to be something very different in its objectives both to Judaism as a religion and to Jewish culture?

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Channel tunnel

From Mr John Sharples

Sir, Richard Hope (October 3) shows a remarkable degree of tunnel vision. Kenneth Fleet's comments (September 27) on Eurotunnel's pathfinder prospectus were if anything rather generous as there are many more things than a "political accident" that can prevent the construction of the tunnel.

No doubt, inventors will look long and hard at the "gaggle of assumptions" which underlie Eurotunnel's assertions and they will conclude that any number of them may upset the viability of the tunnel.

The difference between the tunnel and alternative investments is that with the tunnel all the eggs are in one dubious basket. Investment in competing ports and ferry services will be much more flexible and able to respond to radically changing conditions. No amount of fiddling with inflation forecasts will alter this fundamental difference in risk factors.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN SHARPLES (Head of Economics & Finance),
British Ports Association,
Commonwealth House,
1-19 New Oxford Street, WC1.
October 3.

Because of an error in transmission, a reference was made in Monday's leading article, "Trading solutions", to "the regime of fixed interest rates" established at Bretton Woods. This should, of course, have read "the regime of fixed exchange rates"

Shift of emphasis in news values

From Mr F. Griffith Dawson

Sir, On September 25 your *On This Day* column reprinted an extract from the *Madrid Gazette* which had appeared in your distinguished newspaper in 1816, and described the Spanish reconquest of its rebellious colony of Nueva Granada, now Colombia.

Modern readers might wonder why your editorial predecessor in 1816 included this apparently obscure report from a foreign journal in his highly-taxed four-page newspaper, nearly a third of which was devoted to advertising. In fact, never has the British Press been so interested in Latin American affairs as in the years 1815-25.

During this period the Latin American revolt against Spanish colonial rule enjoyed widespread public support in Britain. Partially the sympathy derived from liberal political sentiments aroused by the French Revolution but denied domestic outlet by conservative administrations. Equally important were commercial expectations that upon independence the former colonies would provide vast new markets for British manufactures. The Press reflected this sympathy with varying degress of enthusiasm.

The Times and its London and provincial competitors reported in detail the campaigns of the patriot leaders Simon Bolivar and José de San Martin, commented extensively upon the new Latin American constitutions, legislation and trade statistics, and followed closely the fortunes of the 6,000 British volunteers who had sailed to join the rebel forces.

The generally sparse Press coverage of Latin American affairs today compares poorly with the proportionately more extensive column space allocated to the New World during the post-Waterloo decade.

Yours faithfully,
FRANK GRIFFITH DAWSON,
3 Eltisley Avenue, Cambridge.
October 1.

Creation of wealth

From Professor Emeritus M. North

Sir, Dr Digby Anderson (September 30), in his "This immoral alms race", omits to mention that much wealth is inherited and is not "the reward of skill, work, sacrifice and risk taking . . ."

Anyway, Dr Anderson is too good a sociologist to be so naive as to believe that anything but a fraction of individual wealth derives form these Victorian virtues, which are, alas, anachronisms in contemporary Britain.

Yours faithfully,
M. NORTH,
The Lancashire Polytechnic,
Corporation Street,
Preston, Lancashire.
September 30.

Radio reception

From Professor Emeritus C. Kittel

Sir, The BBC has asked its World Service listeners to fill up a many-paged questionnaire to pinpoint listening habits during the last week of this month. The survey is fatally flawed, because it nowhere asks what programs one would listen to if only a suitable transmission were available.

In the Pacific and Mountain time zones of the United States the reception of the BBC is intolerable during most of the prime time of 7 pm to 10 pm, often being drowned by The Netherlands and the USSR on nearby channels, and by France on the identical channel. These countries, along with Germany and South Africa, offer much better transmissions on a selection of frequencies during normal evening listening hours.

The BBC frequency charts for the N American service are fairy tales: some of the frequencies shown are never received and most of the time only one frequency is good enough to be called poor. My observations are made with a variety of serious receivers.

The BBC programming is superb. It is wasted on the American air because of an unimaginative assignment of frequencies by the BBC technical staff, and by an unrealistic allocation of resources by management.

The situation has worsened relative to competitors in recent months. Recent management changes (and not sunspots alone) at Bush House appear to have degraded further the poor delivery of good service. Such a survey could only be proposed by people who do not understand the listener's situation.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES KITTEL,
University of California, Berkeley,
Department of Physics,
Berkeley, California 94720, USA.
October 1.

Testing times

From Mr G. G. Watkins

Sir, The principal threat to pine forests is no longer acid rain, but the GCSE, whose administrators and their hangers-on are filling our schools with expensively produced brochures, pamphlets, forms, returns, hortatory effusions, conflicting advice, and junk mail. Soon there will be no room to sit down.

Where is the pulp coming from? And the money? And how is a teacher supposed to read it all in a working life of only 40 years?

Do you think we could have a few books for the *candidates* to read, instead?

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE WATKINS,
70 Scotforth Road,
Lancaster.

Identity crisis

From Sir William Hayter

Sir, Your correspondent, R. J. O. Meyer (September 30) is wrong on one point. Dr Spooner was not a poor speller. I have read all his diaries and many of his letters in manuscript and do not recollect having encountered any spelling mistakes.

There are other confusions, of course; what Spooner suffered from was not dyslexia but what Sir Ernest Barker called metaphasis, or transposition of sounds.

Yours faithfully,
WILLIAM HAYTER,
Bassetts House,
Stanton St. John, Oxford.

ON THIS DAY

OCTOBER 8 1863

The letter from Charles Dickens (1812-1870) was supported by a dozen others covering a wide area of the Midlands, five of them from clergymen. E. J. Lowe was a fellow of the royal and other distinguished societies, and a founder of the Meteorological Society.

THE EARTHQUAKE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,— As you may think any accurate observation of the shock of earthquake which was felt in various parts of England last Tuesday morning worth publishing I send you mine.

I was awakened by a violent swaying of my bedstead from side to side, accompanied by a singular heaving motion. It was exactly as if some great beast had been crouching asleep under the bedstead and were now shaking itself and trying to rise. The time by my watch was 20 minutes past three, and I suppose the shock to have lasted nearly a minute. The bedstead, a large iron one, standing nearly north and south, appeared to me to be the only piece of furniture in the room that was heavily shaken. Neither the doors nor the windows rattled, though they rattle enough in windy weather, this house standing alone, on high ground, in the neighbourhood of two great rivers. There was no noise. The air was very still, and much warmer than it had been in the earlier part of the night. Although the previous afternoon had been wet, the glass had not fallen. I had mentioned my surprise at its standing near the letter "i" in "Fair," and having a tendency to *rise*. It is recorded in the second volume of the *Philosophical Transactions* that the glass stood high at Oxford when an earthquake was felt there in September 1683. Your faithful servant,

CHARLES DICKENS.
Gad's-hill-place, Higham by Rochester, Kent, Oct. 7.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,— A smart shock of an earthquake was felt here this morning at 3 30. Many persons awoke from the shaking of their beds and windows. At the time the sky was cloudless, the wind west, barometer stationary, and the temperature 31 deg.

The motion of the earthquake pendulum at this Observatory was from W.N.W. to E.S.E, and the displacement of chalk by the 30-feet rod was half an inch, the index needle moving the chalk so as to leave an oval, or rather a lengthened-oval hole.

There must have been at least two shocks, as numerous letters describe the time as both 2 35 a.m. and 3 30 a.m.; that the latter was the time of a severe lateral shock is certain, as the zero pencils on my atmospheric recorder marked the paper in a remarkable manner at that hour.

Information as to the extent of the shock is desirable, as in all probability the earthquake of this morning was of a severe nature.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

Observatory, Beeston, Oct. 6. E. J. LOWE.

We have had an Earthquake. The men of science all tell us that we have every right to expect earthquakes. This country lies, as a correspondent observes, on the great volcanic belt. We are only a few links in the chain that binds Hecla to Vesuvius, Aetna, and the original volcano in the Lipari Islands. . . .

In the "black country", indeed, and throughout the Midland and West Midland counties, the earthquake appears to have been felt the most. At Birmingham walls were seen to move, and people rose from their beds to see what damage had been done, for though the rumbling, grating sound is compared to that of a passing waggon or train, it was known at once to be something more. At Edgbaston successive shocks were plainly felt, houses were shaken to their foundations, "a dreadful rattle" was rather felt than heard, and people woke one another to ask the meaning. Everything around was violently agitated. At Wolverhampton everything in the houses vibrated to the external agitation. The houses cracked and groaned as if the timbers had been strained. The policemen on duty saw the walls vibrate, heard everything rattle about them and were witnesses to the universal terror of the roused sleepers. From near Stourbridge we are told that a house quivered from top to bottom, the silver rattled, the furniture shivered, and it seemed as if there had been an explosion under the cellars. In South Staffordshire and East Worcester doors were burst open, crockery and furniture broken, clocks stopped, and whole populations brought out of their beds. At Cheltenham, a great distance from that neighbourhood, a deep rumbling noise was heard, the heaviest furniture was shaken, the fire-irons rattled, heavy stone walls were heard to strain and crack, and the boys at the College were each under the impression that the rest were engaging in making the greatest possible disturbance. . . .

COURT AND SOCIAL

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE
October 7: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the British Olympic Association, this morning attended the launch of the 1988 Olympic Appeals Schools Promotion at the Inn on the Park Hotel, London, W1, where Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Association (Mr Charles Palmer).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the Riding for the Disabled Association, subsequently attended a Council Meeting of the Association in Saddlers' Hall and was received by the Chairman (Mrs Patrick Langford).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the Save the Children Fund, this afternoon visited the Hopscotch Asian Family Centre (Project Leader, Mrs J. Seeds) at St Richard's House, Eversholt Street, NW1.

Her Royal Highness was received by the Mayor of Camden (Councillor Mary Cane).

Mrs Richard Carew Pole was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 7: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Reception held at Lambeth Palace by the Association for Spinal Injury Research Rehabilitation and Reintegration on the conclusion of their appeal for the London Spinal Unit Sports Centre.

Mrs Jane Stevens was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
October 7: The Duke of Gloucester, as Patron, this evening attended the launching of the Pevsner Memorial Trust at a Reception at the Art Workers' Guild, Queen Square, London WC1.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Simon Bland was in attendance.

The Duchess of Gloucester, President of London Home Safety Council, was present this morning at the Inaugural Meeting of the Water Safety Committee at the Thames Water Authority Headquarters, New Riverhead, Rosebery Avenue, EC1.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
October 7: The Duke of Kent, as Chairman, this evening attended a dinner of the Trustees of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh's Commonwealth Study Conferences (UK Fund) at the Garrick Club, London WC2.

Sir Richard Buckley was in attendance.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, today visited the Clinical Research Centre, Northwick Park Hospital, Harrow.

Mrs David Napier was in attendance.

The Queen will hold investitures at Buckingham Palace on November 5, 11, 19 and 25 and on December 3 and 11.

The Queen will open Parliament on November 12.

The Princess of Wales will open the new computerised tomography scanner at St Thomas's Hospital on October 15.

Princess Anne, Chancellor of London University, will attend a tri-service military display by London University units at Greenwich Naval College on October 15 and inspect the university naval unit vessel to mark the university's 150th anniversary. Later she will attend a dinner and honorary degree ceremony at the Barbican.

Princess Anne will present long service badges to nurses from The Queen's Nursing Institute at Drapers' Hall on October 13.

The Duke of Gloucester has become Patron of the Pevsner Memorial Trust and President of the Gibraltar Heritage Society.

A memorial service for Sir Folliott Sandford will be held on Saturday, October 25, 1986, at 2.15 pm in New College Chapel, Oxford.

Luncheon

University College London
Sir James Lighthill, Provost of University College London, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the college to welcome Professor M.G. Smith, a new fellow. Others present included: Professor D E N Davies (vice-provost), Major-General I H Baker (secretary), Professor A P Mathias, Professor M M Sullivan, Professor B Raphaner and Mr D D A Leslie.

Dinner

London Metal Exchange
The annual dinner of the London Metal Exchange was held last night at Grosvenor House. Mr Jacques Lion, Chairman of the Board of the Metal Market & Exchange Company presided. Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England was the guest speaker.

Service dinner

Army Commandos
Major-General T.B.L. Churchill presided at a dinner given at the Army and Navy Club last night by the Army Commandos Officers' Dinner Club. General Sir Peter Hellings was the principal guests.

Reception

Lord McGregor of Durris
Lord McGregor of Durris, Chairman of the Advertising Standards Authority, entertained the Code of Advertising Practice Committee, members of the founding committee and past chairmen at a reception in the House of Lords on Monday, October 6 to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the committee. Mr Michael Howard, QC, MP, and Sir Gordon Borrie, QC, and leading members of the advertising industry and of consumer protection bodies were present. The guests were received by the chairman of the committee, Mr Anthony Bracking.

Birthdays today

The Marquess of Anglesey, 64; Sir John Boyd, 69; Viscount Caldecote, 69; Lord Caradon, 79; Professor Garth Chapman, 69; Sir Nicolas Cheetham, 76; Professor Sir Alastair Currie, 65; Lady Dalrymple-Champneys, 84; Professor H E. de Wardener, 71; Sir Edward Eveleigh, 69, Lord Justice Fox, 6- Mr Milner Gray, 87; Profes- - - hard Harrison, 66. Sir - - fellicoe, 86; Mr - - Milne, 56; Dr Cesar - - Sir Mark Oliphant, 8- - - Merle Park, 49; the Hon Sir Peter Ramsbotham, 67; Mr Ray Reardon, 54; Lord Romsey, 39; Mr Robert Scholey, 65; Sir Reginald Sholl, 84; Mr D. R. W. Silk, 55; Mr Godfrey Talbot, 78; Mr Peter Wood, 58.

Latest wills

Dame Florence Marjorie Wilcox (Dame Anna Neagle, the actress), of London NW8, left estate valued at £147,963 net. She left to Mrs Odette Hallowes, GC, the bust of herself by Fiona Henriques "as a token of my admiration and affection".

Dame Adelaide Baillieu Doughty, of Chelsea, formerly Governor of the English-Speaking Union, left estate valued at £219,745 net.

Mr Harry Webster, of Wetherby, West Yorkshire, farmer, left estate valued at £582,676 net.

Knighthood for Lord Mayor-elect

Alderman David Rowe-Ham, who becomes Lord Mayor next month, has been made a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire. Sir David's appointment was confirmed yesterday by the Queen.

Horticulture

Dahlias fight the frost

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture Correspondent

The current spell of mild weather is ensuring plenty of colour in gardens. Dahlias have revived after the earlier frosts and at the Royal Horticultural Society's flower show, which opened at Westminster yesterday, a large bank of excellent blooms exhibited by Aylett Nurseries, of St Albans, won a gold medal.

Gentians are also responding to the clement weather by keeping their flowers open. A collection is being shown by Edrom Nurseries, of Coldingham, Berwickshire, including *Gentiana ornata* which, until recent years, was thought to have disappeared from cultivation. Edrom also gained a gold medal.

It is not only flowers that are providing colour at this show. W. Robinson, of Forton, Lancashire, is showing red and yellow cherry tomatoes, red onions, orange squashes and pumpkins, and red-stemmed beet in their gold-medal exhibit, while the RHS Garden at Wisley, Surrey, has a colourful collection of unusual vegetables, including black radishes and white beetroots.

There is autumn leaf colour from bonsai (dwarfed trees) shown by Herons Bonsai, of Lingfield, Surrey, and 10 Kai, of London.

In the Japan Society of London's bonsai competition, the Chinn stone lantern, for most points, has been awarded to G. Dobson.

Alan Buller, of Chessington, won classes in the RHS fruit and vegetable show for a collection of hardy fruits and a collection of pears. J.R. Brown, of Leicester, also won classes for a collection of apples and pears, and dessert apples. The Eastcote Horticultural Society took the affiliated societies' challenge cup for a collection of apples and pears.

In the vegetable competition, C.F. Richardson, of Stanmore, Middlesex, won the Riddell trophy for a collection of nine kinds of vegetables; and J.F. Branham, of Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, led the class for six kinds of vegetables. Both exhibitors have included red 'Romano' potatoes.

Dr D. Walkey, of Tyso, Warwickshire, won the Harold Bishop memorial trophy, for most points, in the Alpine Gardens Society's competition. G. Forster, of Selsey, Sussex, has been awarded the Saunders spoon in this competition, for the best pan of cyclamen (*Cyclamen graecum* with silver-marbled foliage).

Exhibitors gaining most points in the various sections of the British National Carnation Society's competition were: Woodfield Brothers, of Stratford-upon-Avon (the Allwood Brothers challenge cup); L.S. Pye, of Chingford (the Jewell Allcroft challenge cup); C. Stringfellow, of Stockport (the *Daily Mail* cup); and J.H.T. Pepper, of Cleethorpes (the Marquis cup).

The following plants received the award of merit: perpetual-flowering carnation 'Dianne Hewins', crimson-purple, raised and exhibited by Woodfield Brothers; and *Schizostylis* 'Jennifer', pink-flowered perennial, shown by W.H. Bryant, of Taunton.

The show is open today from 10 am to 5 pm.

Appointments



Major-General Anthony Trythall to be Representative Colonel Commandant of the Royal Army Educational Corps, in succession to Major-General Lloyd Howell.

Memorial service

Mr R.C. Wakefield
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Roger Cuthbert (Jumbo) Wakefield was held yesterday in the Chapel of St Michael and St George, St Paul's Cathedral. The Rev Frank Harvey officiated, assisted by the Rev Michael Beck.

Sir Humphry Wakefield and Mr John Wright read the lessons and the Dean of St Paul's gave an address. The Ambassador of Sudan was represented by Mr O.M. Yousif. Among others present were:

Mrs Wakefield (widow), Commander and Mrs W.L.T. Peppe (son-in-law and daughters), Mr Roger Peppe and Alasdair and Oliver Peppe (grandsons), the Dowager Lady Wakefield (sister-in-law), Lady (Humphry) Wakefield, Mr and Mrs H Wakefield, the Hon Mrs Clarkson Webb, Mr and Mrs Peter Pensman, Mr and Mrs Christopher Townsend, Mr and Mrs Jeremy Seel, Mr and Mrs William Wakefield, Mr Peter Wakefield, Lady Sarkville, Sir Donald Hawley (Sudan Defence Force) and Lady Hawley, Sir John Wright, Lady (William) Lindsay, Sir Hilary Scott (also representing Old Sedberghian Club) and Lady Scott, Sir Douglas Duck-Parker, Mr W.T.H. Peppe, Mrs S. Rose, Mr Adam Peppe, Mrs N.D.D. Henderson, Mr Peter Fuchs, Mr Chris Andoun, Mr and Mrs A. Kerr, Mrs C.M.C. Thornely, Mrs Charles de Burgh, Mr and Mrs Paul Howell, Mrs J.W. Wright, Mr and Mrs David Smith, Dr and Mrs John Bowlby, Mrs Ian Simpson, Major A.J. Green, Mr R.J.S. Thomson (Sudan Government British Pension Association) and Brigadier Fraser Scott and Mr Kenneth J. Burton (Field Survey Association).

Mr Henry Moore

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Mr Henry Moore, OM, CH, will be held in Westminster Abbey at noon on Tuesday, November 18, 1986. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickets in writing to: The Receiver General, Room 18, 20 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, London, SW1P 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, by Tuesday November 4. Tickets will posted on Tuesday, November 11. All are welcome to attend.

Glass Sellers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Glass Sellers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Philip J. Willoughby; Prime Warden and Honorary Clerk, Mr Michael C. Wallis; Renter Warden, Mr Robert F.B. Marshall.

Marriages

Mr N.K. Cayzer and Miss H.C.R. Sykes
The marriage took place on Saturday, October 4, at the Abbey Church, Ampleforth, of Mr Nigel Cayzer, second son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Galliers-Pratt, and Miss Henrietta Sykes, younger daughter of the late Sir Richard and Lady Sykes. Father Walter Maxwell Stuart, OSB, officiated, assisted by Father M. Smyth and the Rev A.M. Knox.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Sir Tatton Sykes, and was attended by Lily Sykes, Sophy Topley, Antonia Mackay, Gerald Wellesley, Freddie Sykes, Simon Morrison, Tom Naylor-Leyland, George Galliers-Pratt, Freddie Galliers-Pratt and Cameron Douglas. The Hon Gerard Noel was best man.

A luncheon was held at Sledmere House and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Mr F.B. Parkes and Mrs D. Simpson
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 27, 1986, in the Isle of Man, between Mr Frederick Basil Parkes, elder son of Sir Basil and Lady Parkes of Loghan-y-Yuiy, Isle of Man, and Mrs Diana Simpson, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Arthur Bell, of Thornton-le-Dale, Yorkshire.

Mr C. Ashe and Miss V. Young
The marriage took place on September 27, at St James' Church, Draycot Cerne, between Mr Christopher Ashe and Miss Victoria Young.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and was attended by Miss Alice Pedersen and Miss Polly de Blank. Mr George Ashe was best man.

Dr P.A. Holmes and Miss E.A. Waugh
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 27, 1986, at the Parish Church of St Andrew, North Berwick, Scotland, of Dr Paul Anthony Holmes, youngest son of Mrs Dorothy Holmes, and the late Mr Gordon Holmes, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, and Miss Elspeth Anne Waugh, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs W. Norman Waugh, North Berwick, Scotland.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Kirsty Waugh.

Mr D.G.J. Gibson and Mrs F.J. Turner
The marriage took place on Monday, September 22, of Mr David Gibson and Mrs Fiona Turner.

Mr P.C. Pauling and Miss K.M. Harper
The marriage took place on September 26, in Verbier, Switzerland, of Mr Peter Pauling, second son of Dr Linus Pauling, of Honolulu, Hawaii, and Mme Anita Oser, of Dordogne, France, and Miss Katherine Harper, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs James Harper, of Kirkcudbright, Scotland.
and Miss Ellena Holmes. Mr Simon Holmes was best man.

The honeymoon is being spent in Iceland.

Mr J.H. Stanton and Miss C.V. Dean
The marriage took place on September 27, 1986, at St Mary's Church, Cadogan Street, of Mr James Stanton, younger son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs J.R.G. Stanton, of Snelston, Derbyshire, and Miss Clare Dean, second daughter of Mr and Mrs G.M. Dean, of Richmond, Surrey. The Rev J. Wiley officiated, assisted by the Rev N. Daughtry and the Very Rev F. Davys.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Catharine Dean, Miss Sarah Boyt, Miss Lucy Boyt, Portia and Thomas Asquith, Harriet and Francis Atkinson, Thomas and Camilla Hicks. Mr Alan Cuthbert was best man.

A reception was held at 30 Pavilion Road, and the honeymoon will be spent in Thailand.

Mr C.O. Stratton and Miss W.R.B. Heanley
The marriage took place on September 27, in Perth, Western Australia, of Mr Chris O. Stratton and Miss Waveney Ruth Baker Heanley. Mr Richard Cleaver officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Mrs Jacqueline Kentish. Mr Paul Stratton was best man.

Mr T. Stratton and Miss N. Fielden
The marriage took place on October 7, in London, between Mr Terence Stratton, of Rossetti Studios, Flood Street, and Miss Nicola Fielden, daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Philip Fielden, of Adlestrop, Gloucestershire.

Mr J.R. Sykes and Miss P.M. Morris
The marriage took place on Saturday, September 27, at the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, London, between Mr James Sykes and Miss Pamela Morris.

Forthcoming marriages

The Earl of Woolton and the Hon S.F. Birdwood
The engagement is announced between Simon Frederick, son of the late Earl of Woolton and Countess Lloyd George of Dwyfor, and Sophie, only daughter of Lord and Lady Birdwood.

Mr C.G. Horwood and Miss E.A. Jennings
The engagement is announced between Christopher Graham, only son of Mr and Mrs B.A. Horwood, of Capetown, South Africa, and Esther Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs A.M. Jennings, of Hagley, West Midlands.

Mr G.T.N. Isbecque and Mlle V.F.M. Vandecrux
The engagement is announced between Gérard, eldest son of Mr and Mrs G.R. Isbecque, of Guiseley, West Yorkshire, and Valérie, eldest daughter of M and Mme P. Vandecrux, of Wimereux, France.

***Captain P.A. Duncan* and Miss M.V. Frefel**
The engagement is announced between Patrick Atholl Duncan, Royal Horse Artillery, younger son of the late Major Atholl Duncan, MC, and the Hon Mrs Duncan, of Marland House, 28 Sloane Street, London, and Margrit Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs Franz Frefel, of Rockwood, near Lavenham, Suffolk, and 1001 May Tower, 7 May Road, Hong Kong.

Mr A.E.M. Mitchell and Miss J.L. Whitcomb
The engagement is announced between Adrian, second son of Mr and Mrs Dominic Mitchell, of Holford, Somerset, and Joanna, elder daughter of Major and Mrs Stuart Whitcomb, of Abbots Ann, Hampshire.

Mr R.J. Moon and Miss S.S.F. Eddis, MVO,
The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs J.F. Moon, of Enfield, Middlesex, and Sheila, daughter of Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs G.L. Eddis, of Morestead, Winchester.

Mr J.F. Panton and Miss L.P. Strudwick
The engagement is announced between John Forbes, only son of Mrs S.M. Panton and the late Mr Richard Forbes Panton, of Great Malvern, Worcestershire, and Lynda Patricia, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Strudwick, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire.

Mr I.C. Watmore and Miss G.J.A. Hazelton
The engagement is announced between Ian, only son of Dr and *Mrs K.A. Watmore, of Bromley*, Kent, and Georgina, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. Hazelton, of Maidstone, Kent.

Mr C.A. Zelle and Miss E.E. Stirling
The engagement is announced between Charles Andruss, younger son of Mr and Mrs Louis Zelle, of Minneapolis, United States, and Emma Elisabeth, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Angus Stirling, of Holland Park, London.

Glaziers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Glaziers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Jack Stone; Upper Warden, Mr T.J.C. Crocker; Renter Warden, Mr P.G. Evans.

Clockmakers' Company

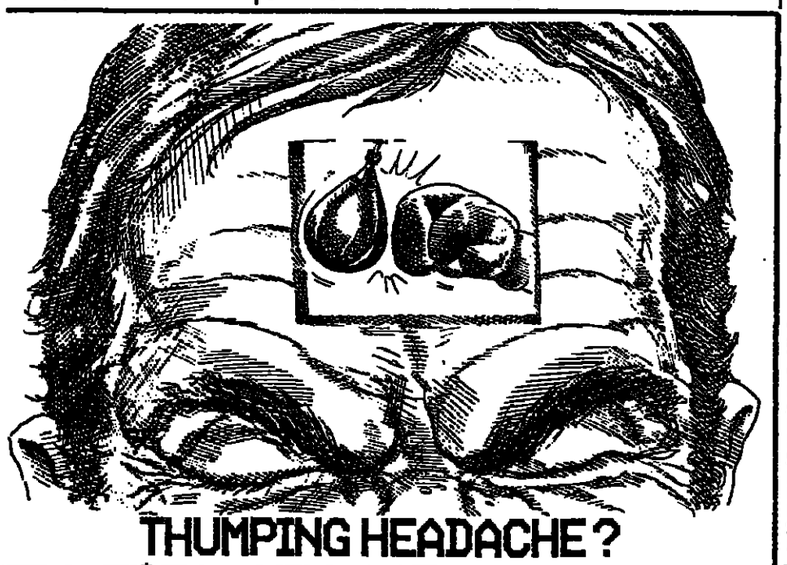
The following have been elected officers of the Clockmakers' Company for the year commencing January 5, 1987: Master, Mr R.L. Mellor; Senior Warden, Mr P.M. Vine; Renter Warden, Lord Murton of Lindisfarne; Junior Warden, Mr A.W. Henn.

Feltmakers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Feltmakers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr M.J. Harper; Upper Warden, Mr C.F.C. Simeons; Renter Warden, Mr E.J.P. Elliott; Third Warden, Mr J.L. Wallworth; Fourth Warden, Mr P.S. Winfield.

Abomniball

The Abomniball, in aid of St Joseph's Hospice Training Unit, will take place on January 6, 1987, at Grosvenor House, Park Lane. Application forms are available from 01-937 0418.



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OBITUARY

MR DENIS CAREY

Versatile actor and director

Mr Denis Carey, theatre director and actor, died on September 28, at the age of 77.

Two pieces of apparent good fortune tended to affect his reputation as a director. One was the vast London success of the disarming revue from Bristol, *Salad Days*, which for some slurred his work in the classics. The other was his appointment as first director of the American Shakespeare Theatre at Stratford, Connecticut, where, as it proved, he had to contend with an intractable stage.

He was always conscious of his Irish inheritance - his mother was a celebrated Abbey Theatre actress, May Carey. Short and sturdy, he looked an Irishman; his companies loved him for his scholarly, unexaggerated direction, avoiding any sort of trendiness.

He undertook anything, whether as actor in his early days, or as a director in those middle years when his reputation shone at the Bristol Old Vic and elsewhere. It was impossible to pin down a "Carey" production; anything between Shakespeare and the musical, *Free As Air*.

Towards the end, an actor again, he had a similar quiet, concentrated quality, visible when, for its world tour, he took over Quince and Egeus in Peter Brook's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Born in London on August 3, 1909, he went to St Paul's School and Trinity College, Dublin. He then should have entered the Irish Civil Service but failed in Gaelic.

Clearly he was destined for the stage. Between 1929 and 1947 he gained experience at the Gate and Abbey Theatres, Dublin; in London and New York; on tour with Martin Browne's Pilgrim Players; and then in residence with the companies at the Glasgow Citizens' and the Midland, Coventry.

He made his first real London mark in Irene Hentschel's production (Lyric, Hammersmith, 1947) of Walter Macken's *Galway Handicap*. Later that year, he was in the tragedy of the Resistance, *Men Without Shadows*, his last important appearance as an actor for more than 20 years.

That year he directed at the Mercury (it went later to the Criterion) Donagh MacDonagh's serio-comic fantasy, *Happy as Larry*, which launched him on his career as a director.

After a year as associate director at the Arts, Salisbury, he went to the Bristol Old Vic for a heartening period (1949-54) in the history of a still young company. Among his 30 plays three came to London; two, *Henry V* and an elegant *Two Gentlemen of Verona* to the Old Vic; and a third, the holiday entertainment, *Salad Days* (1954), to the Vaudeville, where it ran for over 2,000 performances.

His great challenge came in 1955 when he was appointed first director of the Shakespeare Theatre at Stratford, Connecticut. *Julius Caesar* and *The Tempest* on what he called "a stage the size of a football field," and with an unhelpful Festival Board, were not successes. True, he had some helpful actors - Raymond Massey in particular - but it was a damaging few months.

He resumed his English career with a set of varied productions - among them *Romanoff and Juliet* for Peter Ustinov (1956) and *Free As Air* (1957) in the *Salad Days* manner. But he did not again have a major success.

Later he resumed acting. At the Royal Court in 1970 he was Telyegin in *Uncle Vanya*, and his work thereafter included - besides the Brook *Dream* - such a collector's item as Oceanus in *Prometheus Bound* (Mermaid, 1971).

He was married to the actress Yvonne Coulette.

SIR ARTHUR GALSWORTHY

Sir Arthur Galsworthy, KCMG, Ambassador to the Republic of Ireland from 1973 to 1976, died yesterday at the age of 70.

Arthur Norman Galsworthy was born at Colwyn Bay on July 1, 1916, and educated at Emmanuel School, London, the Sorbonne, Hamburg University and Corpus Christi, Cambridge.

He joined the Colonial Office in 1938 as an assistant principal, but two years later was commissioned in the Duke of York's Light Infantry. He transferred to the Intelligence Corps, serving in North Africa, Sicily and Italy. In 1945 he was demobilised with the rank of lieutenant-colonel and returned to the Colonial Office.

He was promoted assistant secretary *sur place* in 1947 and in 1951 was seconded as chief secretary to the West African Inter-Territorial Secretariat at Accra. He returned to the Colonial Office, was promoted assistant under-secretary of state, and in 1966 transferred to the Diplomatic Service.

Three years later he was appointed High Commissioner in New Zealand. It was a pluralist post as Galsworthy also assumed diplomatic responsibility for Pitcairn and Fiji, soon to become independent.

His final posting was to Dublin in 1973, where personal tragedy struck with the death of his wife soon after their arrival.

Galsworthy was a popular diplomat. He was also an obsessive bird-watcher. A founder member, in 1968, of the Diplomatic Service Ornithological Society, he delighted on a visit to Anguilla in observing the frigate birds and, on an earlier trip to the Falklands, in discovering the breeding place of the black-browed albatross.

He won the hearts of animal lovers by sending Edward, his aged boxer-spaniel, and Trelawny, the family cat, on to New Zealand by sea to join him there. It was felt that the expense - which included provision for a daily walk and a bar of chocolate - was worth it. "What else can you do for someone who has been part of your family for 12 years?"

He married, in 1940, Margaret Agnes Hiscocks. There were two sons of the marriage, both of whom followed their father in diplomatic careers.

DR S. D. ELLIOTT

Dr Stuart Elliott, an outstanding medical bacteriologist of the type that would nowadays be regarded as "old school", died on September 17. He was 79.

Stuart Dunsmore Elliott obtained his medical qualifications at University College Hospital, London, in 1931, and subsequently obtained the diploma of public health. He began his career as a teaching officer at University College Hospital Medical School, where he became Reader. There he remained until 1949, apart from wartime interruptions.

During the war he was seconded to the Emergency Public Health Service, most of the time as director of the Streptococcal Research Laboratory. After the war he was for six years a visiting investigator at the Rockefeller Institute, New York, where he worked on rheumatic fever and streptococcal diseases with Dr Rebecca C. Lancefield.

He returned to England in 1955 to take up an appointment as assistant director of research in the department of *animal pathology, Cambridge* University, where he remained until 1966, when he transferred to the department of pathology. He maintained his association with the Rockefeller Institute and frequently spent his long vacations working there. But he deliberately refused the offer of various chairs, in order to remain at Cambridge.

Nearly all Elliott's research was concerned with the antigens of streptococci. His contributions in this field added considerably to the understanding of the pathogenesis, immunity and epidemiology of streptococcal infections in both man and animals.

He was elected Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, in 1964, and three years later was appointed tutor for advanced students, a post that he held with much distinction until his official retirement in 1974.

He continued to be active in research and teaching, dividing his time between the department of pathology in Cambridge and the Rockefeller University in New York, producing original papers when he was well into his seventies.

Elliott's quiet charm, friendly attitude and sincere modesty endeared him to all his associates. He was also a talented and sensitive musician; though his natural diffidence precluded other than very private performances on his favourite instrument, the piano.

He never married.

RABBI ABRAHAM FEINBERG

Rabbi Abraham Feinberg, a Jewish leader whose outspoken criticism of American bombing in Vietnam earned him considerable obloquy in the United States, died at Reno, Nevada, on October 5. He was 87.

He was born on September 14, 1899, at Bellaire, Ohio, and went to the University of Cincinnati where he graduated in 1920. He spent a period as a radio singer in New York before entering Hebrew Union College, where he was became a rabbi in 1924.

For 28 years he was a rabbi in Toronto, where he became a leading spokesman in protests against the Vietnam war. In 1967 he, the Rev A. J. Muste of America, and Bishop Ambrose Reeves, the anti-apartheid former Bishop of Johannesburg, went to visit President Ho Chi Minh in Hanoi as delegates of "Volunteers for Peace".

During their meeting the Vietnamese leader made his widely publicized invitation to President Johnson to visit him in Hanoi, to discuss peace "without his gun on his hip".

Returning as the proselytiser for a proposition which admittedly seemed a trifle vague when subjected to searching analysis, Feinberg drew on himself the fury of the American right, which dubbed him "Radical Abe" and "The Red Rabbi".

Undaunted, he continued to speak out for American withdrawal from Vietnam, a ban on nuclear testing and a variety of cognate issues.

He was also an active writer on social topics, books such as *Storm the Gates of Jericho* and *Sex and the Pulpit* being characteristic of his campaigning style. Latterly he had advocated what he called "gray liberation": the establishment of clinics to teach the elderly how to enjoy sexual activity.

In the 1970s he was rabbi in residence at the progressive, protestant Glide Memorial *Church in San Francisco*. After the death of his first wife, Ruth, in 1976, he settled in Reno as rabbi for the Center for Religion and Life at Nevada University. He is survived by his second wife, Patricia, and a son and daughter of his first marriage.

Mr Edmund F. Kressy, who with his wife, Maryland, created the Lone Ranger comic strip from wireless scripts in 1937, died on October 5 at the age of 84.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, he worked successively for the State Department as art director of its magazine *Amerika*, which circulates in the Soviet Union; in the art department of AP, and in a poster firm.

After his retirement in 1973, he illustrated *How to Grow Your Own Vegetables*, written by his son, Michael.

Science report

Radio reveals a seal's stamina

By Gareth Huw Davies

British scientists have succeeded in tracking grey seals underwater in an attempt to find out more about the mammal's behaviour and feeding habits. Little was known about the movement of seals.

One seal was followed for nine days during which time it covered 178 miles and spent 40 hours underwater, swimming close to the sea bottom as it moved to distinct stopping points.

Three seals, tagged on the Farne Islands off the Northumberland coast in August were found to dive immediately to the bottom of the inshore waters, a maximum of 65 metres, and remain at that depth before slowly drifting up.

They swam close to the bottom when moving from one place to another, remaining submerged for an average of about four minutes; when the seal was resting, the duration of dives was about eight minutes. The longest time the seals spent underwater was 12 minutes.

A research team from the Sea Mammal Research Unit, which is part of the Natural Environment Research Council, glued a VHF radio bleeper to a seal's head as a preliminary trial to determine if the mammal could be successfully followed at sea. A transmitter was placed on its back to give the team following in a boat a more detailed indication of its movements.

In the past an inexact indication of seals' journeys has been obtained by fixing tags on seal pups and recovering them after they died, but this provided no clues to where they had travelled.

The seal most closely followed this summer was first tracked as it moved from the Farne Islands to the Isle of May, a distance of 56 miles in a 20-hour burst. Then, after two days rest, it swam from the Isle of May up the Firth of Forth, under the Forth Bridge, then back out to sea again.

It would go from one resting place to another, at a speed of four to five knots, then bask or rest in the water, take an occasional swim, and set out a few days later to another distinct resting place many miles away. In the past it was assumed the Farne Islands seal population was mainly static.

Next year the research team wants to find out if other seals are equally far ranging and, by fitting a velocity transducer, ascertain the speed the seals are making at depth.

The main object of the research is to show where the seals are feeding, in order to tell what effect they are having on commercial fisheries. Because the seals studied this year spent so much time close to the sea bottom, it would appear they are feeding there. The scientists want to test this hypothesis.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS AND IN MEMORIAM

BIRTHS

BARBER On October 4th, at the Lindo Wing, St. Mary's Hospital, to Robbie (née Grant) and Martin, a daughter, Elizabeth Lily, a sister for Jamie.

BIRCH on 26th September, at The Portland Hospital, to Charity and Julian, a daughter, Theodora Mercy.

BLANCHARD - On October 7th, to Amanda (née Bevan) and Stephen, a son, Alexander Stanton.

BROWNING On September 26th at Queen Mary's Hospital, Sidcup, to Elizabeth (née Tennant) and Nigel, a son, Matthew Edward.

CAMPBELL-GIBSON - On 6th October 1986, at Oban, to Jennie (née Bickel) and Rory, a daughter, Flora Elizabeth.

CHATFIELD - On 5th October 1986, to Penny (née Howell) and James, a daughter, Louise Penelope.

CONYERS - On September 24th, at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, to Diana (née Pavey) and Paul, a son, John Richard Alexander.

COOPER - On 22nd September at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, a daughter, Claudia Imogen, to Rosalind and Aldwyn, a sister for Theodore and Zoe.

COY-BURT - On October 6th, to Christina (née Archer) and Russell a daughter, Sophie Charlotte Louise, a sister for Roland.

FRANKS - On Saturday 4th October, to Sarah (née Bagnall Smith) and Stephen, a son, Archie George.

GOLDSMID On October 2nd, to Gilly (nee Guy) and Nick, a daughter, Clare Louise.

GRAY On 1st October, to Sarah (née Beale) and James, a daughter, Olivia Mary.

HILL On October 4th, to Janie (née Robinson) and Julian, a daughter, Zinnia Sophia Elizabeth.

JEFFREYS - On 29th September, to Carol (née Brightman) and Jay, a son Ben, a brother for Tom and Oliver.

KENDALL - On 29th September, to Catherine (née Usher) and Wilfrid, a son, Edward Allan David.

LANYON On October 4th, to Richard and Bridget, a daughter, Frances.

LEE On October 5th, to Philippa (née Clarke), and Guy, a daughter, Annabel.

LEVER On September 28th, to Anne (nee Ballingall) and Bernard, a daughter, Helen Jane.

LYNCH On 7th October, at the Rosie Maternity Hospital, to Belinda (née Walker) & Simon, a son. A brother for Sophie.

MELVILLE - On 17th September 1986, to Lorna (née Jordan) and Alec, a son, Alastair James.

MITCHELL - On 24th September, at St. George's Hospital, to Catherine (née Ros Jones) and Paul, a daughter, Charlotte Daniele.

MITCHELL On 29th September, to Karen (nee Nickson) and Charles, at Heatherwood Ascot, a son, Thomas Charles.

MITCHELL - On Monday September 29th, at Heatherwood, Ascot, to Karen (nee Nickson) and Charles, a son, Thomas Charles.

MOULE On October 6th, to Kate (née Richardson) and Colin, a daughter, Rebecca.

NOEL-SMITH - On September 26th at BMH, Berlin, to Elizabeth Mary (née Haushawe) and Michael, a son, William Leopold.

PATERSON - On the 6th October, at the Countess of Chester Hospital, to Rose and Owen, a son.

REGAN - On the 15th September 1986, at St Peter's Hospital, Chertsey, to Rachel (née Bick) and Martin, a daughter, Elissa Naomi.

RICHARDSON - On October 4th, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Janine Anne (née Spencer) and Derek (Dick), a son, Thomas Samuel.

SIEGEL On October 5th, to Wendy (née Crumbar) and Michael, a daughter, Emma Katharine.

MARRIAGES

LANCE:GUNN The marriage took place on September 29th at Holy Trinity Church, Pitlochry, Perthshire, of Mr John Alexander Glance, eldest son of Mr and Mrs A.J. Glance, of Gerrards Cross, and Miss Margo Gunn, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs J.J. Gunn, of Doncaster.

LEWIS - SARGANT - On October 2, quietly in Wandsworth, Ian Talbot Lewis to Susan Lydia Sargant.

PEARSON-ROGERS : LAWRENCE On October 3rd 1986, at North Walsham, Norfolk, Group Captain Henry William Pearson-Rogers, to Mrs Frances Mary Lawrence.

SHEFFER - GARLICK - On October 4th 1986 at Richmond, Surrey, Derek younger son of Mr and Mrs A T S Sheffer of Corbridge, Northumberland to Janet, daughter of Mrs E Garlick and the late Stanley Garlick of Putney, London SW15.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

GARDER:HUGHES On October 8th 1936 in Buenos Aires, John to Sylvia. Now in Wallington, Oxon.

DEATHS

[BE]LLAMY - On October 5th, peacefully at Ashburton Hospital, after a short illness, Nora aged 92 years, of Ashburton Devon. Widow of George, loving mother of Jack, Dick and Michael, and dearest granny of Ann, Philip, Peter, Richard, Marion, Christopher, Nicholas and their Families. Funeral Service at St. Andrews Church, Ashburton, on Thursday 9th October at 2pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to the S.P.C.C. C/o Webber & Christophers, 26 St Lawrence Lane, Ashburton.

[BU]SSEY - On October 3rd 1986, Ruth (nee Dixon) Dearly loved wife of the late Group Captain John Bussey, O.B.E. mother of Jacqueline, mother-in-law of David, and Katgran of ... and Sue. At her request, no flowers please, but donations in lieu to Budleigh Salterton and District Hospicare, c/o the Health Centre, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.

[...]EY Denis, Actor and Director, suddenly, on September 28th, aged ... Beloved husband of Yvonne. Funeral Service at Golders Green Crematorium on Friday 10 October at 11.30 a.m. No flowers please.

[...]ESEMAN On October 5th 1986, suddenly but peacefully at home, Frederick Thomas, much loved husband of Elsie. Funeral Service at Worthing Crematorium on Friday October 10th at 2.15 p.m. Family flowers only please, but donations to Barnabas Home, care of Dillistone Funeral Service, 191 South Farm Road, Worthing.

[...]MENTS On October 4th, suddenly on holiday, Jeffrey Woodward, aged 54, of Clockhouse Lane, ... Surrey, and formerly Sin... Adored husband of ... and wonderful father of ... Tracy and Simon. A very special person. Private cremation.

[...]AN On October 3rd 1986 peacefully in hospital, James Cowan M.A., in his 84th year R.I.P. Dear husband of the late Elizabeth Mary ... loved and honoured by his family and by many friends in many ... including Wadham College, ... School, 'INST' and Queens University. Funeral Thursday October 9th. Enquiries to J.B. Hall of ...ingham, Berks Tel 0734 ... or to residence 0734 790677.

[...]UZA - On October 4th 1986, peacefully and suddenly at home, ... (Musician) aged 73 years, beloved husband of Vi, father of Barry, Yvonne, grandfather of Danielle, Colette.

[...]S - On Oct 3 1986, Wilfrid ... of 5 Frampton Court, Chelsea, ... Place, London W3. Cremation at Mortlake Crematorium, London SW14, on Thurs 9th Oct ... p.m. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Cancer Research.

[...]SSON - on October 7th 1986 at ... House Nursing Home, Old ..., Norfolk, Lady Elizabeth ..., aged 89 years, formerly of ... Lodge, Wimbledon, widow of the late Sir Louis Fergusson ... beloved mother of Christopher. Funeral service at Mintlyn Crematorium, Kings Lynn on Monday October 13th at 12 noon. ... please to Eric W Wilton, Funeral Director, 26 Station Road, ...ham, Norfolk. Memorial Service will be held in London at a date to be announced later.

FRANKS on Saturday 4th October, Anne aged 44, beloved mother of Lucinda and Miranda and younger daughter of Sir David Home B.T. and Lady Home. Services of Thanksgiving at St Columba's, Pont St, London SW1 on Friday 10th October at 12 noon and at Greyfriars Church, Edinburgh on Tuesday 14th October at 12 noon. No flowers but donations if desired to Cancer Research department, Charing Cross Hospital London W6. All enquiries W. S. Bond, 127 Fulham Palace Rd. Tel 748 3185.

GEDDES - On 6th October peacefully at Riverdene, Warwicks Bench, Guildford. Helene Doris aged 92 years, widow of the late Colonel Guy Westland Geddes DSO, OBE, DL. Much loved mother of Tom and the late Guy Geddes and grandmother of Sean, Pandora, Simon, Melissa, Sophie, William and Alexander. Funeral St Mary's Church, Guildford Tuesday 14th October at 2.00 pm. Family flowers only to Pimms Funeral Services, Guildford.

GOODALL - On 27th September, suddenly, Arthur Francis Yeomans, of 'La Providencia' Hereford, Argentina. Devoted husband of Mary and father of Edward, Virginia, Charlotte, James and Alan.

GURNEY - On October 6th, peacefully, in hospital, Vivien of Costers Mill W Lavington, Midhurst, W Sussex. Dear wife of Donald, beloved mother of Nicola, Jamie and Sara. Funeral Service 12 noon Friday 10th October at St Mary's Church, W Lavington followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please.

HICKSON - On 4th October, Vera (née Lincoln). Funeral Service at Poole Crematorium at 2pm. Friday 10th October.

HOBSON On October 3, of Gosforth, William, dear husband of Sheila and father of Peter and Andrew. Service at St.George's Church, Jesmond, Newcastle upon Tyne, on Thursday October 9th at 2.15 pm Cremation follows at Saltwell Crematorium at 3pm. Friends, please meet at church for service.

HODSON - On 4th October, peacefully, Rose, beloved wife of Christopher and dearly loved mother of Mary Anne, Rupert, Caroline and Lucy. Funeral at All Saints Hannington, on Friday 10th October at 11 am. No flowers but donations if desired to Wessex Cancer Trust, Royal South Hants. Hospital, Southampton.

HOLLIS - On Monday October 6th. Suddenly in Hospital, Hugh aged 76. Dearly loved and greatly mourned by his wife Muriel, and sons, Michael and Richard, and their families. Funeral at St. Andrew's Church Chedworth, on Thursday October 9th at 2.30pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please.

HUNTER - On 14th September 1986 at Colossi, Cyprus, J.Greig Hunter M.B.Ch.B., formerly of Thebraes Turriff. Memorial Service in St. Congan's Church, Turriff, on Friday 10th October at 2pm. Enquiries to Stewart & Watson Solicitors, Turriff. Tel: Turriff (0888) 63773.

INGLESON - On 4th of October 1986 in London, Gwendoline Ingleson aged 90, widow of Philip Ingleson C.M.G. M.B.E.M.C., late Sudan Civil Service. Dear mother of Joan and grandmother of Philip, Robin and John. Service, West London Crematorium, NW10 Monday 13th October 3.45pm. No flowers please but donations to St. Mary Abbots Hospital W8.

LAMBERT - On 5th October, peacefully, in Addenbrookes Hospital, Cambridge, after a short illness Dr. Kenneth Charles of Girton, aged 76 beloved husband of Daphne and dearly loved parent of Michael, Patrick, Janie and Jason. Funeral Service at Girton Parish Church, on October 10th at 11.a.m. Followed by private cremation, no flowers. Donations to the Hospice Arthur Rank House, Mill Rd, Cambridge, or at church collection.

LE BLANC - SMITH - On October 6th, peacefully in hospital, Peggy Blanche, beloved wife of the late Thomas Eric and mother of William, Ann and Timothy. Private cremation on Friday October 10th, followed by Service of Thanksgiving 2.15 p.m. at Preston Church. No flowers please.

LINDSAY - On September 30th 1986, suddenly at home in Golden Morden, Janet Elizabeth (Née BARKER), beloved wife of Graham, and sister of Patricia (Moore). Cremation at Enfield Crematorium, North London, on Friday 10th October at 11.30am. Family flowers. Donations if desired, to the Salvation Army.

LOWE - On October 6th at Lincoln, Philip, beloved husband of Elizabeth, and dear father of Catherine and Edward. Funeral, St. Faith's Church Lincoln, Friday October 10th at 11.15. No flowers, but donations to St. Faith's or Cancer Research.

McGHIE - On October 4th 1986, at Pershore Cottage Hospital, Christine Edith, SRN, RSCN., SCM., after a brave struggle against illness, fondly remembered by family and friends. Funeral Service at Holy Trinity Church, Eckington, at 11.15am on Friday October 10th, followed by private burial at Coventry. Donations if wished, in lieu of flowers, to St. Richard's Hospice at home, 9 Castle Street, Worcester. Enquiries to Perks Bros Ltd: Eckington, Worcs. Tel: 0386 750227.

MONTAGUE - On October 3rd, Leslie Clarence, suddenly, beloved husband of Margaret.

NIXON - On October 6th, at home, Rear Admiral Harry Desmond C.B., L.V.O., D.L. Beloved husband of June and father of Sarah, Mike, and Kate. Funeral Service at Box Parish Church on Friday October 10th at 1.15pm. No flowers please. Donations for Box Parish Church, c/o H. Merrett Funeral Directors, 57a Pickwick Rd, Corsham, Wilts.

NORTH - On October 3rd 1986, peacefully, after a long illness, Elizabeth Bowden of Hove. Beloved wife of Freddie. Funeral Service at The Downs Crematorium, Brighton on Monday October 13th at 2.30 pm. Flowers to Attree & Kent Ltd., 108 Church Road, Hove. Donations if desired to Asthma Research Council, 300 Upper Street, London N1 2XX.

PARKINSON on October 7th peacefully in her sleep at home after a long illness Joan Helen Mary in her 68th year. Cherished wife of Bruce, beloved mother of Vivienne and Maxine and dear grandmother of Paul, Claire and Stephen. She will be sadly missed by all who have known her. Funeral at St. Peters Church, St Mary Bourne on Friday 10th October at 3.00pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, to Cancer Research, C/O Camp Hopson Funeral Directors, Newbury, Berks.

PEDLER - On 6th October 1986, at his home in Cumnor Hill, Oxfordshire, Cyril Roy Campbell, aged 64.

PRENDERGAST - on 6th October 1986, peacefully, at home after a short illness, bravely borne Brigadier Guy Lenox, - much loved husband and father fortified with the Rites of Holy Church. RIP. No flowers but donations, if desired, to Cancer Relief (Scottish Office) BMA House, 7 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh or Calibre Library, Talking Books for the Blind, Aylesbury, Bucks HP20 1HU.

RAY On October 3rd 1986, peacefully, after a short illness, Barbara beloved wife of Charles Richard and mother of the late Colin and of Jeremy. She will be greatly missed by so many. Funeral Service at St. John's, Shirley Church Road, Shirley, 2 pm. On Friday October 10th. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, London WC1.

REID Adrian, the writer. On October 4th 1986, at home, aged 64, after a long illness. Adored husband of Elisabeth Winkler, loving and loved father of Jessica, Sarah-Louise and Maude. Also stepfather to Julian, Jamie and Peter Rankin. A very special man. We will miss you very much and love you always. Cremation at Bath, 10th October 1986 at 11.20 a.m.

ROBINSON Suddenly, on September 28th in Spain, Gerry aged 62 years. Marine Biologist of Modbury, Devon. Funeral arrangements contact Earl of Plymouth 0752 562624.

SMITH Beatrice (Pixie) on Friday October 3rd, peacefully, at Cottage in the Park, Ashtead. Beloved friend of Jennifer Ross and her family and dearest Aunt of Ron and Mary Watson and Marjorie Hedger. Funeral on Thursday October 9th at 11.30 a.m. at Randalls Crematorium, Leatherhead. Surrey. Flowers to Randalls Crematorium.

SWANN On October 3rd 1986 in Hospital Robert Swinney, aged 70. Cremation at Putney Vale, Thursday 9th October at 1.30pm. No flowers by request, but donations if desired, to Cancer Research.

TWEDDY - On 5th October 1986, Peter, much loved husband of Jean, at home, after an illness borne with courage. Cremation 12.30 at Parndon Wood Crematorium, Harlow on 14th October. Donations if desired for Cancer Research, may be sent to A. Scales, 11 Church Street, Hertford.

WHITE - On 2nd October 1986, at Lapta, Northern Cyprus, George Hugh, in his 88th year. Father of Elizabeth and Annette. Funeral has taken place in Kyrenia.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BOMFORD - A Memorial Service for James Ferguson Bomford, M.C. will be held at St. John the Baptist Church, Fladbury, Worc's at 2.30 p.m. on Friday October 17th. Donations please to the R.A.B.I. C/o Lloyds Bank, High St, Evesham.

POND - There will be a Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Professor Sir Desmond Pond at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, London on Tuesday, 28th October 1986 at 12 noon.

TRUSTRAM EVE - A Memorial Service for Douglas Trustram Eve, PPRICS., will be held in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley St, London W1. On Monday 3rd November at 5.30pm.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

BRITTON Thinking of Charis and Brill who died ten years ago. Love from Robin and Gunilla.

DENNY - Ida, remembered with love today, your Birthday, and always.

FIGGIS on 8th October, 1984. Dorothy (nee Beckwith). Sadly Missed E.C.F.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

PERRETT and HOWIE - The funeral service for the late James Perrett and David Howie, will take place on Friday October 10, at 2.30pm, at Great St Mary's Church, Cambridge followed by interment of the remains of James Perrett, at Swaffham Bulbeck Cemetery. Family flowers only, but donations may be sent to Mountain Search and Rescue UK, or Bureau for Overseas Medical Services, C/o Mrs Sangster, Barclays Bank, New Market Rd, Cambridge.

PERSONAL COLUMNS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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COOKE nee KING, SARAH COOKE nee KING, Widow, late of 28 ... Road, Chelmsford, Essex, died at Chelmsford on 1 April 1986 (Estate about £61,000)

FISHBURNE, HAROLD FISHBURNE, late of 1 Carnarvon Cottages, West Newton, Sandringham, Norfolk, died there on 21st January 1986 (Estate about £37,000)

GRIFFITHS, BRYNMOR GRIFFITHS, late of 2 Westbury Bungalows, Westbury Street, Llanelli, Dyfed, died at Carmarthen on 29th February 1986 (Estate about £10,000)

HAMMOND, PHILIP JOHN HAMMOND, late of 18 Brewer Street, Lamberhurst, Kent, died at Pembury, Kent on 19th June 1985 (Estate about £46,680)

HOLMAN nee McLAUGHLIN EDITH MCLLANBY HOLMAN, nee McLAUGHLIN, Widow, late of 7 Cliff Place, Ganton, Cardiff, Glamorgan, died there on or about 25th March 1986 (Estate about £12,500)

KEHOE, FREDERICK JOHN KEHOE, late of 11 Dunbar Court, Dunbar Close, Little Sutton, South Wirral, Cheshire, died at Chester on 29th December 1984 (Estate about £19,000)

NORTHCOTT nee PONDER, LOTTY NORTHCOTT otherwise LOTTIE NORTHCOTT nee PONDER, Widow, late of Leeroft, 314 London Road, Wokingham, Berkshire, died in Crowthorne, Berkshire on 26th February 1984 (Estate about £18,000)

SMITH nee GIMBLE ELIZABETH ALICE SMITH nee GIMBLE, Spinster, late of Fitzgerald Lodge, Sutton Street, Stepney, London E1, died there on 3rd February 1985 (Estate about £5,000)

The kin of the above named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

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Orlov in surprise Reagan meeting

From Michael Binyon
Washington

President Reagan yesterday received Mr Yuri Orlov, the freed Soviet dissident, at the White House, together with other human rights activists, to demonstrate his concern for human rights at the forthcoming preparatory summit in Iceland.

To maintain the surprise, however, the White House refused to confirm in advance that Mr Orlov was among those invited.

Mr Reagan's calculated gesture will annoy the Russians, but it is intended to assuage strong misgivings among right-wing Republicans about the forthcoming talks.

Commentators on the right have voiced suspicions that Mr Reagan is about to "give away the shop" in Iceland, and that he will be manoeuvred by Mr Gorbachov into making concessions on arms control.

Mr Reagan went out of his way on Monday to dampen speculation that he would sign any important new arms agreement in Reykjavik.

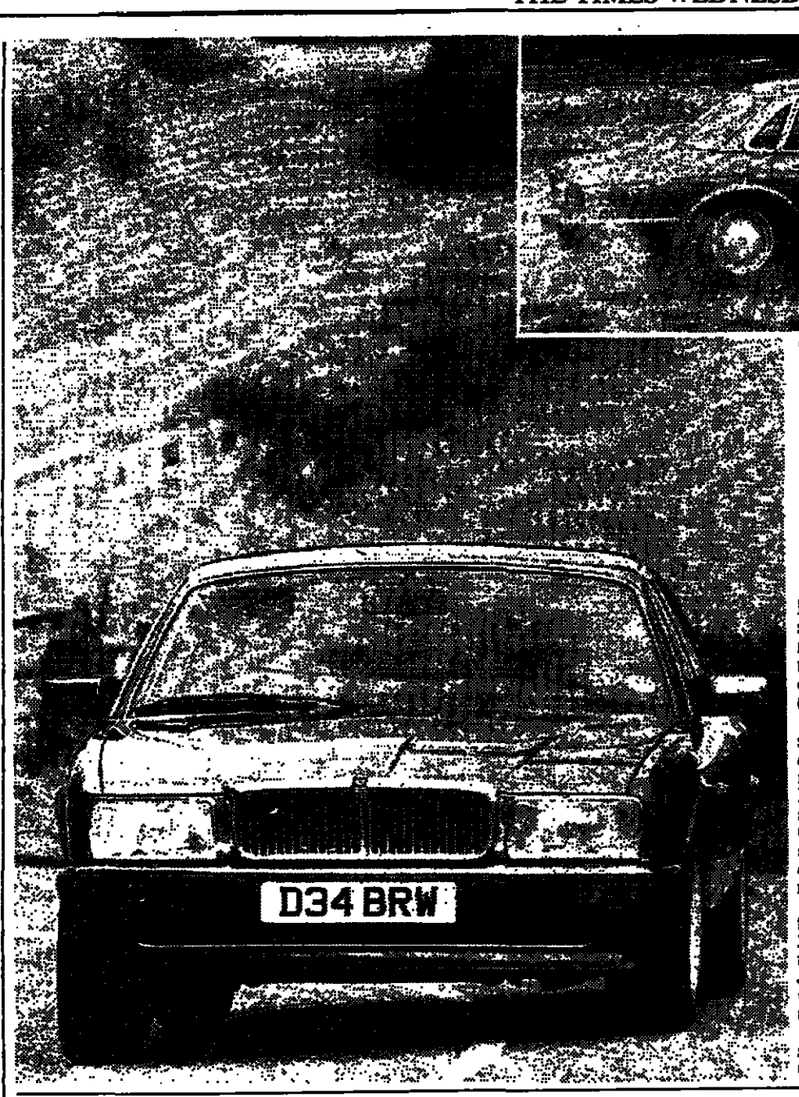
He also insisted that human rights, Afghanistan and freer contact between Russians and Americans were as important topics as arms control, and that he would emphasize US concerns forcefully to Mr Gorbachov.

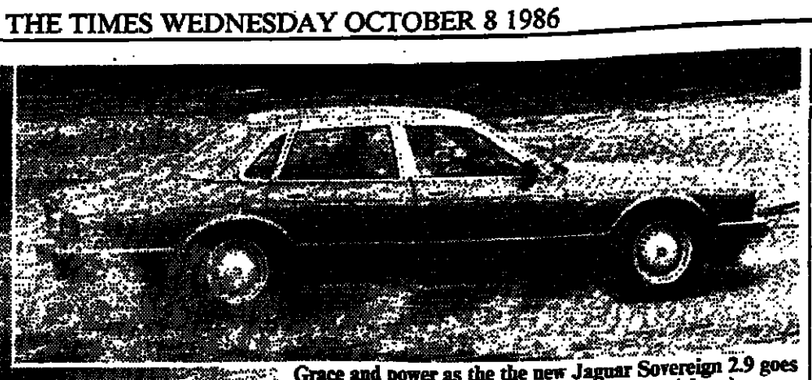
The White House is extremely sensitive to criticism on the right — especially from Mr Reagan's "old supporters", as he called them.

In a characteristic remark, he insisted last week that 'it will be a cold day in Hades when I go soft on communism."

Meanwhile, Democrats in the House of Representatives have offered to put off a confrontation with the Administration over arms control until next year in order to avoid undermining Mr Reagan's negotiating position in Iceland.

Mr Reagan has strongly denounced the House's recent vote on arms control measures.





Grace and power as the the new Jaguar Sovereign 2.9 goes through its paces (left), and in profile (above).

Sleek and stylish Jaguar models retain old names

The unveiling today of the latest Jaguar models represents an investment of £200 million and 5.5 million test miles over a seven-year period on a project codenamed XJ40 (Mark Ellis writes).

The results are sleek and stylish replacements for the existing III series six-cylinder models, but retain the names — XJ6, Sovereign and Daimler — and traditional Jaguar lines. Only the V12-powered versions of the old range will be continued to meet strong demand in Germany and Britain.

With prices from £28,495 for the flagship of the range, a 3.6 litre six-cylinder Daimler, to £16,495 for a 2.9 litre XJ6, Jaguar believes its new range will bolster Britain's reputation as a quality car-maker.

Sir John Egan, chairman and chief executive of Jaguar Cars, said: "We have spent £200 million developing the car and re-equipping our plants to ensure that the new Jaguar range will be produced to the highest possible standards."

The renowned finishing touches of leather, wood and chrome are retained, and the new body styling and all-aluminium engines will be shown to the public at next week's Motor Show in Birmingham.

Jaguar plants in Coventry and Birmingham will concentrate on producing cars for the US, which has the largest luxury car market and 55 per cent of output will cross the Atlantic.

The Jaguar Sovereign, with a 2.9 or 3.6 litre engine, will sell for £22,995 to £24,995 and is designed to appeal to chief executives and company directors.

Frank Johnson with the Tories

Wets hunted in manhole plot

The afternoon session of the Conservative Party conference was getting smoothly under way yesterday when word filtered into the hall that the Prime Minister, while returning from a lunchtime meeting, had turned to wave to the crowd, and fallen down a manhole.

The dries thought it outrageous that, amid all this security, someone had left a manhole uncovered. The wets thought it vital that, with the woman safely gone at last, now was the time to cover the hole. But what both sides needed, in these crucial minutes after the first reports of the incident, was hard information as to what had really happened. Otherwise, people might do things which would look embarrassing if Mrs Thatcher were to climb back up.

Zealous Thatcherites — motivated either by genuine patriotism or fear of what a fall of the regime would mean for them personally — hurried about the hall, doubtless assuring anyone who would listen that Mrs Thatcher had survived, had sustained only a minor injury, and would be broadcasting to the nation as soon as possible.

They assured us that this deed was the work of a defeatist group of Cabinet ministers and other discredited privy counsellors who were wholly unrepresentative of our nation and our party. Rather than defend British women and children against atheistic Kinnockism at the general election, they were prepared to revolt against the leader and try to make a separate peace.

The names of those responsible, and of their defendants, would be ever accursed, and made synonymous with treason. But one thing was certain. The ministers, and former ministers, responsible for this outrage would be hunted down and handed over to the whips.

But who were the perpetrators? Prior? On Monday night, there had been a publishers' party in London, attended by journalists and other freeloaders, in connection with his disloyal memoirs. The trouble with that theory was that, at the time Mrs Thatcher neared the fateful manhole yesterday lunchtime, the party would still have been going on. Had he been involved, Mr Prior would surely have been seizing the radio station or doing something similarly useful.

Heath? He had recently moved into a new house in Salisbury, not far inland from Bournemouth, where he is said to be giving dinner parties this week for anti-Thatcherites ferried in from the conference resort. Suspicious.

Gilmour? He made some anti-regime pronouncements in the *New Statesman* at the weekend. Tories don't read the *New Statesman*. Exactly. But the crucial thing was that the plot had failed. Thatcherism had been saved.

Some of the wets seemed to be equally active in the hall. Clearly, they were assuring the wavering rank-and-file that the dries were bluffing, and that the Thatcher regime had indeed fallen. Now was the time for anti-Thatcherites to proclaim a Government of National Reconciliation and Renewal and the restoration of democracy.

Despite the tense situation, and the absence of any definite news, Mr Kenneth Baker went ahead with his planned speech in reply to the debate on education. Mr Baker has long been thought of as a wet candidate for the leadership should Mrs Thatcher ever fall down a manhole.

But, assuming that such an event was long delayed, he had planned to make a dry speech. Just his luck to be dry at the very moment of the wets' triumph. But it was no *time to take chances*. He made the speech as he had planned it, although — in the event of a Wet Restoration — he could always draw attention to the absence in the speech of any promise to bring back corporal punishment to our schools, or indeed capital punishment.

Eventually, we learnt that Mrs Thatcher had merely *tripped* on the manhole. She was in the best of health. The wets, however, were not.

Limelight welcomed by Iceland's hostess

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Iceland's famous clothing boutiques.

"I remember in London Raisa liked to go to Bond Street and Harrods," Ms Gudmansdottir said. "They tempt me also. But here Iceland's sweaters are the most famous in the world. I do not think she will fail to buy."

We returned to the theme of the modern woman: "I am not what we call in Iceland 'a red sock'. You know, yes, a militant feminist . . .

"I am proud that in Iceland women do not take their husband's name when they marry. Perhaps some of this will interest Raisa. She can tell me how things differ in Russia . . .

"I am not in my husband's shadow. After I had children I returned to work as a secretary to our Supreme Court. I have many interests: I swim, I play the piano, I read, I go to concerts."

She is not nervous about the global limelight she is about to share. "It is a little of a challenge. I wish to show Raisa Gorbachov a little of Iceland.

Tebbit attacks socialism

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poned in the summer, is again top priority.

Under Mr Lamont's timetable, if the Tories win a third term a Bill to float off the water authorities, raising about £7 billion, would be introduced in the first session of the next Parliament.

He promised the Tories had a full privatization programme this Parliament and the next. He confirmed that the British Airports Authority will be sold off in the summer, after the sale of British Airways early next year, and the Rolls-Royce and National Bus subsidiaries.

Proposals to compel councils to put more services out to private tender will be outlined today by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment.

In the opening debate Mr John Patten, Minister for Housing, outlined plans to allow building societies to become involved in the renting of property, through shared ownership schemes.

But he strongly hinted at far-reaching legislation in the next parliament to deregulate the Rent Acts to enable up to 600,000 empty privately-owned homes to be rented.

Mr Patten is considering a new system of registered landlords freed from some Rent Act restrictions. He also announced plans for a increase in shared ownership housing schemes.

The well-organized unity of the conference, which most Tories expect to be the last before the general election, was underlined in a fringe speech by Mr Peter Walker, the last licensed rebe'

But yesterday, though Mr Walker told a Tory Reform Group meeting that the Government needed to recognise the aspirations of the ordinary family living in the semi-detached house, Mr Walker uttered nothing that could be construed as an attack on the Government.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Princess of Wales, Patron, Help the Aged, attends a performance of *The Phantom of the Opera*, Her Majesty's Theatre, Haymarket, SW1, 7.55.

Princess Anne, President, the British Olympic Association, will attends their annual meeting, the Café Royal, London, 2.35.

Princess Margaret visits the Deptford Mission and attends a service at St Paul's Church, Deptford, 6.30.

The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron, attends the Starlight Ball in aid of the Asthma Research Council, Hilton hotel, London, 8.40.

The Duke of Kent, Vice Chairman, the British Overseas Trade Board, attends the first annual dinner of members of the British Agricultural Export Council, the Caledonian Club, Halkin Street, SW1, 7.40.

The Duchess of Kent, Patron, attends the annual meeting of UNICEF, the International Maritime Organisation, Albert Embankment, SE1, 10.20.

Last chance to see

Recent paintings by Ian Humphreys; The Black Boy Gallery, 14 High St, West Wycombe, 9.30 to 5.30.

Yorkshire Casteles; City Museum, Weston Park, **Sheffield**, 10 to 5.

Canterbury Festival: Harpsichord recital by Trevor Pinnock; Gulbenkian Theatre, 7.30.

Organ recital by Dr Francis Jackson: **Bath** Abbey, 8.

Music

Concert by the Scottish Chamber Orchestra; Tait Hall, **Kelso**, 7.45.

Concert by the Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra; St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30.

Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Wessex Hall, Poole, 7.30

Organ duets by Thomas Trotter and Margaret Phillips; **Birmingham** Town Hall, 1.

Concert by the Northern Sinfonia with Bradley Creswick (violin); **Newcastle** City Hall, 7.45.

Talks, lectures

Bowden Lecture: Pompous Programming, by Prof. Niklaus Wirth; Essex University, Department of Computer Science, Lecture Theatre Block, LTB 6/7, **Colchester**, 3.

Theories of traffic flow, by Dr. M.H. Beilby; **Birmingham** University, Large Lecture Theatre, Physics Poynting Building, 11.

General

Festival of Fun, **Dover**; Regimental Band of the 2nd Battalion Royal Anglian Regiment marches through Dover and performs in Biggin St, 10.30, 12 noon and 2.30.

National Review of Live Art performance festival, Midland Group, Nottingham; Box office: 24 Carlton St, Hockley, **Nottingham**, tel: (0602) 586100 (today until Oct 12).

Antiques Fair: De Grey Rooms, **York**, 3 to 9.

Roads

Wales and West: M4: Contraflow between junctions 16 (Swindon) and 17 (Chippenham). M4: Contraflow between junctions 34 and 35 (Rhondda and A473). M5: Two lanes closed in both directions between junctions 11 and 12 (Cheltenham and A38).

The North: M6: Lane closures in both directions between junctions 32 and 33 (M55 and A6). M6: Lane closures at junction 37 (A684), Cumbria. M18: Contraflow between junctions 6 and 7 (Thorne and M62).

Scotland: M9: Outside lane closed on both carriageways between junctions 4 and 5 (Lathallan and Cadgers Brae). A80: Northbound lane closures between Mollinsburn and Cumbernauld. A944: Pipe laying along Queens Rd E of Anderson Drive, Aberdeen.

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The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.24	2.29
Austria Sch	21.20	20.00
Belgium Fr	62.90	59.30
Canada $	2.05	1.97
Denmark Kr	11.31	10.71
Finland Mkk	7.46	6.96
France Fr	9.78	9.28
Germany Dm	3.005	2.835
Greece Dr	200.00	188.00
Hong Kong $	11.50	11.00
Ireland Pt	1.107	1.047
Italy Lira	2800.00	1960.00
Japan Yen	234.00	220.00
Netherlands Gld	3.395	3.205
Norway Kr	11.05	10.45
Portugal Esc	218.00	205.00
South Africa Rd	3.70	3.10
Spain Pta	198.50	186.50
Sweden Kr	10.27	9.72
Switzerland Fr	2.45	2.31
USA $	1.50	1.43
Yugoslavia Dnr	700.00	600.00

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Retail Price Index: 385.9

London: The *FT* Index closed up 6.1 at 1257.3

Parliament today

Lords (2.30): European Communities (Amendment) Bill, committee stage.

New books — hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
Celtic Britain, by Charles Thomas (Thames & Hudson, £12.95)
Degas, The Complete Etchings, Lithographs and Monotypes, by Jean and Françoise Cachin (Thames & Hudson, £25)
Earwitness, Fifty Characters, by Elias Canetti, translated by Joachim Neugroschel (André Deutsch, £7.95)
Karl Kraus, Apocalyptic satirist, Culture and Catastrophe in Habsburg Vienna, by Edward Timms ((Yale, £20)
The Architecture of the Roman Empire, Volume II, An Urban Appraisal, by William L. MacDonald (Yale, £27.50)
The Blind Watchmaker, by Richard Dawkins (Longman, £12.95)
The Fifties, by Edmund Wilson, edited with an introduction by Leon Edel (Macmillan, £19.95)
The Enigmatic Edwardian, The Life of Reginald 2nd Viscount Esher, by James Lees-Milne (Sidgwick & Jackson, £15)
The Longest Battle, The War at Sea 1939-45, by Richard Hough (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £14.95)
The Rattigan Version, The Theatre of Character, by B.A. Young (Hamish Hamilton, £12.95) PH

The Halifax House Price Index

		ALL HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%	NEW HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%
1983		100.0	30,898		100.0	34,795	
1984		107.2	30,952	7.2	106.9	34,059	6.9
1985		117.0	32,953	9.1	115.4	37,357	8.0
1986	Quarter 1	122.5	35,164	9.2	120.9	40,892	9.0
	Quarter 2	128.6	38,266	11.0	125.2	44,492	10.0
	Quarter 3	133.1	40,475	13.2	129.5	46,566	11.3
1985	September	118.9	33,690	8.1	117.3	38,536	8.1
	October	119.8	34,088	8.4	118.0	39,590	8.8
	November	120.5	34,399	8.2	119.7	40,071	9.2
	December	122.2	34,917	9.7	122.1	41,015	10.8
1986	January	121.0	34,372	8.7	120.3	40,529	8.5
	February	122.3	34,941	9.3	119.8	39,733	8.4
	March	124.0	36,034	9.7	122.5	42,357	10.2
	April	126.7	37,536	10.0	122.7	43,771	7.4
	May	128.4	37,900	11.0	125.4	44,121	10.5
	June	130.8	39,453	12.1	127.5	45,611	12.4
	July	132.3	40,260	13.6	128.3	46,362	11.0
	August	133.1	40,828	13.6	130.7	47,304	12.6
	September	134.1	40,427	12.8	129.8	46,095	10.7

Average regional prices 3rd quarter 1986 — Index 1983 = 100

	ALL HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%	NEW HOUSES Index	Average price £	Annual change%
North	116.7	26,684	6.9	114.8	37,918	6.3
Yorkshire & Humb	122.3	26,717	8.6	119.0	34,541	6.0
North West	120.8	30,387	9.2	116.5	39,555	6.6
East Midlands	129.1	30,515	10.3	126.6	39,778	9.9
West Midlands	121.5	31,337	11.1	121.2	40,610	9.4
East Anglia	142.1	40,169	16.9	139.8	44,106	12.9
South West	135.2	41,844	13.7	129.6	45,840	12.3
South East	149.5	56,865	20.0	147.2	64,942	17.8
Greater London	166.5	64,622	25.6	157.8	64,280	25.0
Wales	122.2	29,720	8.5	121.1	36,456	9.5
Scotland	121.1	31,952	4.1	121.5	38,276	5.6
Northern Ireland	123.2	29,944	7.3	124.2	33,313	6.0

Source: Halifax Building Society

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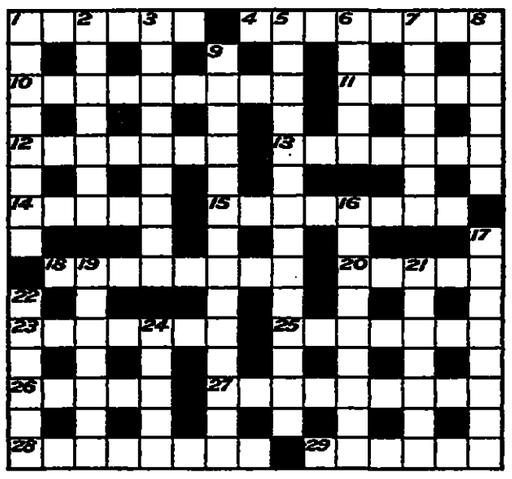
You must have your card with you when you telephone

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf but they must have your card and call The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

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The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,171



ACROSS
1 Saturnine doctor got out of bed (6).
4 Be successful in repair (4,4).
10 Mint money for island (3,6).
11 Murphy, the adviser to Eire's Republican leaders (5).
12 Trainer sorted out the lie of the land (7).
13 In this place, see concealed pot plants (7).
14 Very musical, when it gets one (5).
15 Pledge protection (8).
18 Broadcast about the parade (2,3,3).
20 Many long for a hiding place (5).
23 A game creature (7).
25 Celebrate with hired clothing (7).
26 Orders sweetheart stout (5).
27 Make an example of me? I 'ope it's not right (9).
28 Contestant is after two lines in a song (8).
29 Burning land (6).

DOWN
1 Details of road turned up in time (8).
2 Recompenses rising artist with a shilling (7).
3 Appearing in burlesque, am I shocked, easily shocked? (9).
5 A charge that is, I found, novel for author (6,8).
6 Take part in record (5).
7 Ishmael not included with the players (7).
8 Sorted out some 12 in the South West (6).
9 Nearing journey's end, in more than one sense (2,4,4,4).
16 Music fabulous bird brings right into prominence (4-1-4).
17 Feeling ecstatic — that's not heartless (8).
19 Removing the bottom of Venetian blind is simplicity itself (7).
21 Giving a name to business (7).
22 A group of notes sounded in harmony (6).
24 King and royal mistress make an announcement (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,170

CUPBOARDLOVE
ARSENEAR
RAINCHECKNOBLE
AMILELUDT
CUPOLASWASTIKA
ALACR
CARATBRASSARD
OTHMTT
BRUNELLABOREAS
RLANW
OVERTIMEBEETLE
NTAEUWOA
TITUSNEWMARKET
OETCELAE
RECORDPLAYER

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Weather forecast

Pressure will remain high over southern Britain and northern France but fronts will cross northern areas from the west.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S England, Midlands, Channel Islands: Dry with sunny intervals after the clearance of early morning mist and fog patches; wind SW, light; max temp 20C (68F).

East Anglia, E, central N, NE England: Mainly dry with some bright or sunny intervals; wind SW, light or moderate; max temp 18C (64F).

SW England, S Wales: Mainly dry with sunny intervals inland but mist and fog will persist near some coasts; wind SW, light; max temp 19C (66F), but cooler on coasts.

N Wales, NW England, Lake District: Mainly dry but rather cloudy at times; wind SW, light or moderate; max temp 16C (61F).

Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Mainly cloudy with rain spreading from the W; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 16C (61F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Mainly dry with bright intervals at first but some rain later; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max temp 17C (63F).

Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney: Cloudy with rain at times; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 16C (61F).

Shetland: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain; wind SW, fresh or strong; max temp 11C (52F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Unsettled in the N. Mainly dry in the S. Temperatures near or rather above normal.

Sun rises: 7.12 am — Sun sets: 6.23 pm
Moon rises: 1.42 pm — Moon sets: 8.28 pm
First quarter: October 10

Lighting-up time

London 6.53 pm to 6.44 am
Bristol 7.03 pm to 6.53 am
Edinburgh 7.01 pm to 7.01 am
Manchester 7.00 pm to 6.54 am
Penzance 7.16 pm to 7.04 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

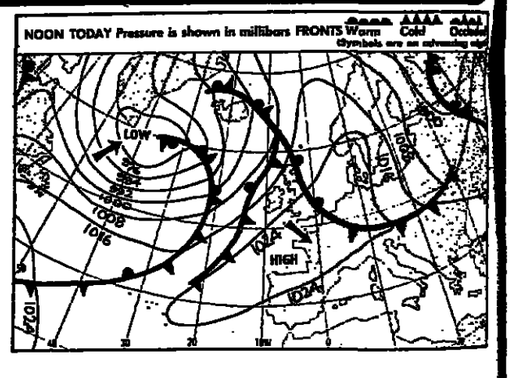
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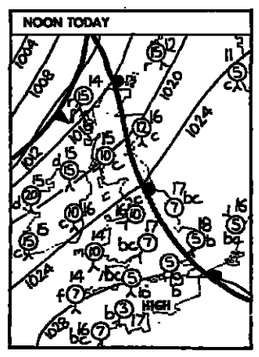
Anniversaries

John Cowper Powys, writer, was born at Shirley, Derbyshire, 1872.

Deaths: **Henry Fielding**, Lisbon, 1754; **Franklin Pierce**, 14th president of the USA 1853-57, Concord, New Hampshire, 1869; **S. John Monash**, commander of Australian Army Corps in France 1918, engineer, Melbourne, 1931; **Wendell Wilkie**, Republican politician, New York, 1944; **Kathleen Ferrier**, singer, London, 1953; **Clement Attlee**, 1st Earl Attlee, prime minister 1945-51, London, 1967.

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b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers
Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade.

High Tides

	AM	HT	PM	HT
TODAY				
London Bridge	5.21	6.9	5.34	7.1
Aberdeen	4.42	4.3	5.10	4.9
Avonmouth	10.50	12.5	11.12	12.1
Belfast	2.27	3.6	2.48	3.4
Cardiff	10.35	11.5	10.57	11.2
Devonport	9.18	5.3	9.39	5.1
Dover	2.14	6.5	2.33	6.6
Falmouth	8.48	5.1	9.09	4.9
Glasgow	4.09	5.1	4.35	4.8
Harwich	3.16	3.9	3.36	4.0
Holyhead	1.32	5.6	1.57	5.5
Hull	9.47	7.3	10.11	6.9
Ilfracombe	9.32	8.8	9.53	8.6
Leith	6.10	5.5	6.37	5.2
Liverpool	2.31	9.4	2.54	9.0
Lowestoft	12.53	2.4	1.07	2.2
Margate	3.23	4.7	3.30	4.5
Milford Haven	9.47	6.8	10.10	6.6
Newquay	8.38	6.6	9.03	6.6
Oban	9.08	5.8	9.23	5.5
Penzance	8.22	5.4	8.45	5.2
Portland	10.38	2.1	11.01	2.0
Portsmouth	2.57	4.6	3.18	4.6
Shoreham	2.32	6.2	2.53	6.1
Southampton	2.10	4.4	2.32	4.5
Swansea	9.49	9.3	10.11	9.1
Tees	7.11	5.4	7.34	5.1
W'ton-on-Nze	3.13	4.2	3.29	4.3

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.28ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	7.9	-	20	68	sunny
Bridlington	6.6	-	20	68	sunny
Cromer	5.4	-	19	66	cloudy
Lowestoft	3.6	-	19	66	bright
Clacton	1.0	-	19	66	cloudy
Margate	x	-	18	64	cloudy
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	3.9	-	20	68	bright
Hastings	6.8	-	20	68	sunny
Eastbourne	8.2	-	19	66	sunny
Brighton	5.8	-	17	63	bright
Worthing	4.9	-	19	66	bright
Littlehmptn	3.7	-	20	68	bright
Bognor R	4.9	-	20	68	sunny
Southsea	1.7	-	18	64	cloudy
Sandown	3.4	-	19	66	sunny
Shanklin	x				
Bournemth	1.7	-	19	66	bright
Poole	1.3	-	21	70	cloudy
Swanage	2.1	-	19	66	bright
Weymouth	1.3	-	17	63	cloudy
Exmouth	2.9	-	19	66	sunny
Teignmouth	1.7	-	17	63	bright
Torquay	2.7	-	21	70	bright
Falmouth	-	-	18	64	dull
Penzance	0.6	-	17	63	foggy
Jersey	7.8	-	20	68	sunny
Guernsey	8.7	-	21	70	sunny
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	1.5	-	16	61	fog
Newquay	0.8	-	20	68	bright
Ilfracombe	x	-	18	64	dull
Tenby	0.8	-	16	61	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	x	-	19	66	bright
Morecambe	3.5	-	18	61	bright
Douglas	4.7	-	17	63	bright
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	5.1	-	21	70	sunny
B'ham Airpt	3.3	-	20	68	bright
Bristol (Cnt)	1.3	-	17	63	cloudy
Cardiff (Cnt)	0.4	-	17	63	rain
Anglesey	4.5	-	18	61	bright
B'pool Airpt	3.2	-	17	63	bright
Manchester	2.5	-	19	66	rain
Nottingham	2.8	-	19	66	bright
N'cst-n-Tyne	4.6	-	18	64	bright
Carlisle	2.1	-	17	63	bright
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	0.6	-	15	59	cloudy
Prestwick	4.0	-	17	63	showers
Glasgow	1.8	.09	17	63	cloudy
Tiree	-	.02	14	57	rain
Stornoway	1.6	.21	14	57	rain
Lerwick	0.2	.04	11	52	showers
Wick	6.1	.03	15	59	sunny
Kinloss	3.8	.04	16	61	sunny
Aberdeen	4.0	.02	17	63	rain
St. Andrews	2.5	-	16	61	rain
Edinburgh	0.7	-	17	63	cloudy
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	3.6	-	18	64	cloudy

These are Monday's figures

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder

	C	F		C	F		C	F	
Ajaccio	s	25	77	Cologne	f	18	64	Majorca*	f	27	81	Rome	s
Akrotiri	s	28	82	C'phagen	f	14	57	Malaga*	f	25	77	Salzburg	s
Alex'dria	f	27	81	Corfu	f	26	79	Malta	f	27	81	S Frisco	s
Algiers	s	27	81	Dublin	c	17	63	Melb'rne	c	13	55	Santiago*	c
Amst'dm	f	19	66	Dubrovnik	s	23	73	Mexico C*	f	20	68	S Paulo*	s
Athens	s	23	73	Faro	f	23	73	Miami*	f	32	90	Seoul	
Bahrain	s	34	93	Florence	s	26	79	Milan	s	22	72	Sing'por	
Barbados*	f	30	86	Frankfurt	c	17	63	Montreal*	c	5	41	St'kholm	s
Barcelna*	s	34	25	Funchal	g	23	73	Moscow	c	5	41	Strasb'rg	
Beirut	s	25	77	Geneva	s	20	68	Munich	c	17	63	Sydney	
Belgrade	s	22	72	Gibraltar	c	22	72	Nairobi	f	29	84	Tangier	
Berlin	c	14	57	Helsinki	d	6	43	Naples	s	26	79	Tel aviv	
Bermuda*				Hong K	s	27	81	N Delhi	s	32	90	Tenerife	
Biarritz	s	23	73	Innsbrck	s	19	66	N York*	f	16	61	Tokyo	
Berde'x	s	21	70	Istanbul	s	20	68	Nice	s	24	75	Toronto*	
Boul'ne				Jedda	s	36	95	Oslo	f	10	50	Tunis	
Brussels	c	17	63	Jo'burg*	th	21	70	Paris	c	18	66	Valencia*	
Budapst	s	20	68	Karachi	s	31	88	Peking*	c	15	59	Venice	
B Aires*	f	20	68	L Palmas	f	26	77	Perth	f	20	68	Vienna	
Cairo	f	28	82	Lisbon	s	24	75	Prague	f	17	63	Warsaw	
Cape Tn	s	18	66	Locarno	s	21	70	Reykjvik	r	6	43	Wash'ton	
C'blanca	f	24	75	L Angels*	s	24	75	Rhodes	s	25	77	Wel'ton	
Chicago*	s	11	52	Luxembg	c	15	59	Rio de J	s	28	79	Zurich	
Ch'church	c	10	50	Madrid*	f	21	70	Riyadh	s	37	99		

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

Executive Editor
Kenneth Fleet

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1257.3 (+6.1)

FT-SE 100
1592.3 (+13.4)

Bargains
21982

USM (Datastream)
122.45 (+0.35)

THE POUND

US Dollar
1.4350 (–0.0045)

W German mark
2.8686 (+0.0040)

Trade-weighted
68.1 (+0.1)

M3 money supply figures ease base rate pressure

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

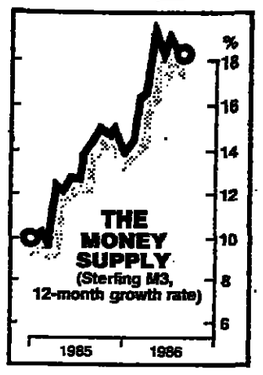
Better-than-expected money supply figures eased the pressure for a rise in base rates yesterday. No increase is expected this week. But the continued weakness of sterling – languishing near its all-time lows yesterday – could still force interest rates higher next week.

The sterling M3 money supply measure rose by between 1.5 and 1.75 per cent in the four weeks to September 17, the Bank of England said. This was well below initial market expectations of a rise of 3 per cent or more.

The reaction to the figures was muted in financial markets, however. The Bank of England had hinted, through its tactic of announcing gilt-edged sales last Friday, that the figures would not be as bad as analysts had feared.

In the money markets, rates remained well above current base rate levels. Gilt-edged prices recovered immediately after the money supply announcement but then fell back to opening levels.

The pound had a steadier day, helped indirectly by some concerted support for the dollar by European central banks, led by the Bundesbank. The Bank of England supported the pound when the sterling index dipped to a new low of 67.8 during the morning. It closed at 68.1, 0.1 up on the day.



The main surprise in the money supply figures was the small increase, of just £900 million, in bank lending last month. This compared with an average rise of £2.5 billion over the previous six months.

This was associated with a very large public sector contribution to the money supply increase. The public sector borrowing requirement during the banking month was £2.7 billion, as the Government refunded advanced petroleum revenue tax, of about £1 billion to the oil companies.

This probably resulted in a reduction in borrowing by the oil companies.

The September figures were hardly affected by the TSB flotation. The Committee of London and Scottish Clearing Banks said advances, on a seasonally adjusted basis, fell from £1.45 billion in August to £475 million in September.

The committee said there was evidence that deposits were increased in the run-up to the September 24 TSB sale, but that it had no effect on lending in that month.

The details of the sterling M3 figures were affected by the Government's $4 billion floating rate note.

Officials refused to be drawn on the amount received in advance, but it distorted the "other counterparts" element of sterling M3, which was an unusually large £1.9 billion. It also boosted external flows to the public sector, which were £600 million. Debt sales were just £100 million.

The 12-month growth rate of sterling M3 fell from 18.5 to 18.25 per cent last month, compared with the official 11 to 15 per cent target range.

Narrow money, M0, rose by 0.75 per cent last month.

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Sir Arthur Bryan: talks with Waterford end amicably

Wedgwood poised to accept merger

By John Bell, City Editor

A merger of two of the most famous names in tableware looked imminent last night.

The boards of the fine china group Wedgwood and Irish-based Waterford Glass were in discussions in London in the afternoon and a number of problems were resolved.

The talks ended amicably and the Wedgwood board withdrew to consider Waterford's final proposals.

An earlier sticking point was the number of Wedgwood directors who would join the chairman, Sir Arthur Bryan, on the board of the combined group.

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is investigating a hostile £150 million takeover of Wedgwood by London International, the consumer products and contraceptives business.

The reference arose through the effects on the British market for china and ceramics which would be caused by combining the Royal Worcester Spode operations of London International wth Wedgwood.

Waterford Glass has been undergoing a revival of its fortunes since the arrival of the chairman, Mr Paddy Hayes, aged 55, last year.

Mr Hayes, a former head of Ford Motor Company's operations in Ireland, has been concentrating on the group's core activities in fine glassware.

Since taking over, he has disposed of the group's car distributorship in Ireland and a small chain of department stores. He believes that both Wedgwood and Waterford Glass have much to gain from a merger.

Wedgwood would benefit from the strong position which Waterford has established in the crucial US market, he says. Mr Hayes is keen to break into the large Japanese tableware market, where Wedgwood has established a rapidly growing presence.

Sir Arthur's company, set up more than 200 years ago by Josiah Wedgwood, continues the tradition of producing tableware of the highest quality.

He has been dismissive of the bid from London International.

In the City, Wedgwood's shares soared 57p to 453p on news of the bid talks.

Fresh delay in timetable for regulating City

By Lawrence Lever

The timetable for the new investor protection legislation to come into effect has been delayed again – making it the third time that the Government has shifted its line since the Financial Services Bill was published last December.

As a result, the new framework for regulating the City is not likely to be in place before early 1988.

Officially, the Government still hopes that the Bill's regime to regulate investment will come into effect late next year. A spokesman for the Department of Trade and Industry refused to comment on suggestions that the timetable would slip into 1988 but said: "We recognise that there are potential difficulties in the way, not least from the self-regulating organizations getting themselves prepared and processing applications by members."

The Bill sets out various processes between its enactment and the coming into effect of the self-regulatory framwework it creates. The Government is blaming the latest delay on the network of self-regulating organizations (SROs) which will be policing most investment businesses.

The SROs were told by Sir Kenneth Berrill, chairman of the Securities and Investments Board, the overall investment watchdog, to press on with formulating rule books for their members.

Meanwhile the Government is under mounting pressure over the passage of the Bill through the Lords next week when three days have been set aside for the report stage. More than 500 amendments have to be considered.

It has been severely criticized already for rushing the Bill through the Lords without allowing adequate time for its detail and implications to be considered.

In addition to 350 government amendments to the Bill, more than 150 others will be tabled by oppostion peers and cross-benchers. Nevertheless, the Bill must receive Royal Assent by November 12, when the next Parliamentary session begins, otherwise it will be lost.

Depite the number of amendments it is tabling, the Labour Party appears to take the view that it would prefer an imperfect Bill than no Bill at all and will not seek to sabotage its passage onto the statute book.

Neill report delayed until late November

By Alison Eadie

Sir Patrick Neill's report into the adequacy of investor protection for names at Lloyd's is unlikely to be published before the end of November.

The Neill committee hoped to report in July. In June it was granted an extension until autumn, but was still taking evidence this week, and will be hard pressed to report to Mr Paul Channon, the Trade and Industry Secretary, before November.

The delay is timely for Lloyd's, whose new building will be opened by the Queen on November 18.

Meanwhile the market believes one of the changes Sir Patrick will call for is the divestment by managing agents, who run syndicates, of members' agents, who place names on syndicates and act in an advisory capacity.

Such divestment would advance the controversial measures in the 1982 Lloyd's Act, which forced brokers to sell off their managing agents. The deadline for such divestment is July next year.

A call for further divestment would affect 160 combined agents.

The Neill team has heard evidence from some members of Lloyd's unhappy about the concentration of underwriting power in the hands of a few combined agents. The argument against combined agents is they do not give space to outsiders.

Sears lifts profit 12%

Sears Holdings, the Selfridges, British Shoe Corporation and William Hill conglomerate, made taxable profits in the six months to the end of July of £77 million, a rise of 12.7 per cent, on sales up 6 per cent to £1.15 million.

The star performer of the group was the licensed betting shop division, which made trading profits of £13.6 million, against £8.2 million.

Mr Geoffrey Maitland Smith, the chairman and chief executive, said: "Our new autumn ranges have been well received, giving us an encouraging start to the second half year."

The interim dividend was raised to 1p from 0.9 p.

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Bowthorpe up

Bowthorpe Holdings, the international electrical and electronics components group, yesterday reported pretax profits for the six months to June 30 up from £11.5 million to £13.6 million. Turnover increased 10 per cent to £70.5 million, and an interim dividend of 2.68p was declared, representing a 15 per cent increase on last year.

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Burns issue

Burns-Anderson, the industrial and financial services group, is to raise £2.3 million to finance continued expansion through a one-for-fiverights issue to ordinary shareholders at 71p per share.

Taplets sold

Two taplets were exhausted yesterday. They were £200 million of 10 per cent Treasury convertible stock 1990 and £200 million of 9 per cent convertible stock 2000.

GrandMet plan

Grand Metropolitan is arranging a million sterling commercial paper programme. Lloyds Merchant Bank, Morgan Guaranty and S G Warburg are being appointed dealers. The programme will complement existing short-term financing facilities and will enable Grand Met to access this potentially competitive source of funds.

Booth mystery

Booth Industries says it is not aware of any cause for the recent rise in its share price.

USM debut

Citygrove, the property company, is coming to the Unlisted Securities Market with a price tag of £6.9 million. Hill Samuel & Co, the merchant bank, is to place 3 million 10p shares at 100p a share. The issue will raise £1.5 million net. Citygrove pretax profits for the year to November 30 of £625,000 are forecast.

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Apology to Opec raises oil prices

From David Young, Geneva

The leading oil producing nations yesterday emphasized their determination to push oil prices up towards the $20 dollar a barrel mark and succeeded in removing one of the main obstacles to setting a new output quota agreement.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) received an apology from the United Arab Emirates for exceeding the current quota. Dr Mana Saeed Otaiba, the UAE Oil Minister, said yesterday: "We will stick to our 950,000 barrel a day quota."

The oil market has responded already to his remarks by sending prices up slightly to just under the 15 dollar mark. Any further increase in prices will now depend on Opec's ability to translate its promises into firm quota agreements.

Its President, Mr Rilwanu Lukman, the Nigerian Oil Minister, said that the cartel is determined to find a way of sending up prices by the end of this year.

Opec has two committees trying to work out a new quota system acceptable to all 13 members as well as attempting to re-establish a system under which it can set an agreed price for its crude oil rather than leave prices to be set in the free market by buyers and sellers.

A separate committee of technical advisers will also look at the way in which quotas can be set and distributed – a system of seasonal quotas is among the options being studied – and it will report today.

It is understood that four different proposals on quota figures have been submitted – by Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iran and by Opec full-time advisers. The main difference between them is that Iran insists that Iraq is brought back into the Opec system after being allowed to avoid a fixed quota for two months.

The committee working out the pricing mechanism is understood to be looking to the longer-term in order to create a reference price system which can be introduced once a new quota agreement has been established.

Walker says no to CCA

By Our City Editor

Mr Peter Walker, the Energy Secretary, has overruled British Gas on the matter of which acounting method will be preferred in the forthcoming privatization

Sir Denis Rooke, chairman of British Gas, and his senior colleagues wanted to use the current cost accounting convention which gives a clearer picture of the effects of inflation on the business than the much more widely used historic cost method.

In its annual reports British Gas has published historic cost figures in a brief section following the main accounts.

It has been known for some time that the company planned to stick to the use of CCA in the prospectus for what will be Britain's biggest share sale. But there has now been a change of plan at Mr Walker's instigation.

It is highly likely that the front page of the prospectus will show historic cost figures for the share sale.The news will be warmly greeted in the City which, except for a brief spell during which inflation was running at much higher levels than today, has always favoured historic cost figures.

Another cosmetic side effect is that BG's profits appear to be considerably higher when re-stated in conventional terms. The overriding consideration has been that the army of small investors, perhaps numbering 6 million, who are expected to subscribe for British Gas shares might confused by the use of CCA as the main accounting technique.

Institutional investors are said to be reacting favourably to the series of British Gas road shows which started this week.The concept of BG as a share with strong defensive merits but with a sharp increase in profits ahead due to the lagged effect of cheaper oil is being well received.

Christies profits up

By Alexandra Jackson

Christies International, the auctioneer, yesterday reported interim pretax profits marginally up at £7.23 million compared with £7.13 million in the first half of 1985. The interim dividend is maintained at 1.5p.

Turnover fell from £34.2 million to £33 million but it was ahead after stripping out £2 million from CCA Galleries, which was floated on the Unlisted Securities Market in July, 1985. Group auction sales were £184 million compared with £187 million last year.

US sales were up in dollar terms, but they were affected by exchange movements.

Notable features in the first half included the Nanking cargo, the West Dene collection and two small sales in Monaco and Hong Kong. Despite the non-recurrence of these, the outlook for the second half is good, according to Christies' finance director, Mr Jonathan Price.

Mr Christopher Alexander, of L Messel, the broker, expects the group to make approaching £14 million in the full year, giving earnings per share of 17p.

The shares ended at 268p.

Heath to make £50m buy

By Cliff Feltham

Hambros Bank is planning to sell its Fielding insurance offshoot to the brokers CE Heath in a deal worth between £50 and £60 million.

The all-share offer will result in Hambros ending up with a stake of around 25 per cent in CE Heath.

Fielding, a reinsurance broker, was set up in 1975 by Mr Richard Fielding, a former joint managing director of Heath, with financial backing from Hambros, which now owns 81 per cent of the business. The balance is held by the management. Hambros had been intending to bring Fielding to the market itself.

Last night director Mr Christopher Sporborg said: "We are swapping an 81 per cent stake in an unquoted company for a big stake in an insurance broking business. We have no intention of bidding for 100 per cent of Heath although we may want to raise the stake later."

New Turner & Newall bid for AE expected

By Our City Staff

Speculation over a fresh bid from the engineering group Turner & Newall for AE, the automotive component group, was growing stronger in the City last night.

It is understood that a Takeover Panel investigation into the circumstances surrounding the narrow failure of T&N's bid for AE has proved complex and wide-ranging and that the full Panel is to be convened next week.

This is being taken as an indication that the Panel has been unable to dismiss as entirely without significance a placing of 10 million AE shares at 201p shortly after the failure of the bid.

The shares were believed to have been purchased for up to 240p in the closing stages of the £260 million battle by parties hostile to T&N.

The share sales involved substantial losses by the purchasers.The Panel is refusing to discuss details of the investigation, but the belief in the stock market is that it concerned the possible existence of a concert party in favour of AE's independence.

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STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	1783.04 (–1.41)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	17604.36 (+169.03)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	2162.76 (+77.83)
Amsterdam: Gen	280.2 (+2.9)
Sydney: AO	1329.4 (+18.6)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	2019.3 (+2.9)
Brussels:	
General	3672.00 (+4.25)
Paris: CAC	387.2 (+0.6)
Zurich:	
SKA General	n/a

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INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month Interbank 10⅜-10 11/16%
3-month eligible bills:10⅛-9⅞%
buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 7½%
Federal Funds 5½%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.07-5.06%*
30-year bonds 96 16/32-96¼*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.4350	$: £1.4330*
£: DM2.8686	$: DM2.0015*
£: SwFr2.3369	$: SwFr1.6305*
£: FFr9.3921	$: FFr6.5500*
£: Yen220.98	$: Yen154.25*
£: Index:68.1	$: Index:109.5
ECU £0.722938	SDR £0.845587

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Turriff Corp	174p (+14p)
Tyzack Turner	78p (+13p)
Bowthorpe	570p (+25p)
Wedgwood	423p (+27p)
Bass	695p (+9p)
Grand Met.	433p (+10p)
United Biscuits	232p (+10p)
DRG	276p (+8p)
Jones E	84p (+8p)
Alexandra Workw.	310p (+7p)
BAT	453p (+10p)
BP	693p (+10p)
Exco Int.	243p (+8p)
Cons. Gold	622p (+18p)
RTZ	689p (+22p)
Peters M	148p (+17p)
J Booth	148p (+45p)

FALLS:

Stothert & Pitt	143p (–10p)
Jaguar	541p (–4p)
McCorquodale	270p (–6p)
Morgan Grenfell	381p (–19p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $442.00 pm-$436.00
close $437.00-438.00 (£304.00-305.00)
New York:
Comex $437.90-438.40*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Nov.) pm$14.70bbl ($14.20)
* Denotes latest trading price

IBM acts 'to curb cloning'

New York (Reuter) – International Business Machines has announced that it is to buy specially-designed computer chips from Intel Corporation of California, a move analysts said would frustrate imitators whose machines have cut into IBM's personal computer sales.

Analysts said that the agreement with the Santa Clara-based Intel, which will swap technology with IBM, would allow IBM to make further technological advances as well as providing for the development of the proprietary, customized chips.

These chips, which are made in small numbers, make the designs of personal computers more difficult to copy without violating patent and copyright laws.

IBM has been losing millions of dollars in revenues because of competitors, who have been copying the company's designs to produce so-called clones of IBM machines.

Mr Jay Stevens, a Dean Witter analyst in New York, said that the IBM action would help eventually to stop cloning. "If they introduce a proprietary version, a clone will have to figure out how to copy it and that will take some time."

An IBM spokesman s'd that the company did not comment on its future strategy, and he declined to say whether the agreement with Intel was an attempt to make cloning more difficult.

Intel, which makes microprocessors for IBM's personal computers as well as for other companies manufacturing IBM-compatible computers, said the deal "involves a technology swap."

US to extend computer talks

Washington (Reuter) – The United States will extend its talks with Brazil to try to resolve charges that Brazilian markets are unfairly closed to American computers. Mr Clayton Yeutter, the US trade representative, said yesterday.

He said that President Reagan had found Brazil's action an unreasonable restraint of trade, but would extend the talks to the end of the year because some progress had been made in resolving the dispute.

Mr Yeutter said that the US would defer any retaliatory action against Brazilian exports to the US until the computer issue was resolved.

US officials said that the delay would push the time for resolving the issue to beyond the Brazilian election in November, noting that the issue had become a heated political question.

US and Brazilian officials have been trying to resolve the issue for 13 months, but Brazil has held firm in trying to shield its infant computer industry from competition.

Trade officials said that, although no exports had been earmarked for retaliation if an impasse was reached, possible targets could be the big Brazilian shipments to the US

Middle management 'loses jobs and salaries stand still'

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Demand for production managers has slumped and salaries on offer are no higher than three years ago, according to a new review of the recruitment market.

The Top Pay Unit of Incomes Data Services (IDS), in a report* on salaries and benefits, says production managers jobs are hard to get, and more is being asked of those who go after them.

Now that a senior production job is often seen as a stepping stone to a general management position, companies look for a more "polished" candidate, according to IDS.

The drop in advertised demand for executives, noted in the latest Hay-MSL Index, has hit hard. Since the second quarter of last year, demand for them has fallen by 37 per cent, and in the first three months of this year by 13 per cent.

IDS warned: "Good production management jobs are thin on the ground."

The range of salaries for production managers is similar to the IDS review of the sector three years ago, rising from £10,000 in a steel tube company to £25,000 for a production director in an engineering business.

Consultants in the sector reported advertised salaries ranging from £14,000 to £25,000. One consultant reported a range up to £50,000 for a production director in a large engineering company. Other surveys have suggested basic salaries of nearly £14,000 for production managers, and just under £16,000 for works managers.

Another survey last year suggested a 9 per cent increase in salaries with a median of more than £17,000.

Pay for production managers tends to be highest in the fast-moving consumer goods industry, with a differential of about £3,000.

More is being demanded of production executives, says IDS, and the production manager needs a range of skills. IDS said: "Production management is more about strategy than fire-fighting. The production manager's role may include procurement, stock and quality control and cost control."

About half of the jobs reviewed by IDS offered a company car, but in smaller companies this was not an automatic benefit. Only some companies paid a bonus, though a greater proportion paid relocation expenses and medical insurance.

Executive pay increases in the electronics industry were running at about 9 per cent over the year to this past Spring, judging from several recent surveys, IDS reported.

Median salary levels were still higher in sales and marketing than for technical jobs, the highest scales being in semiconductors (£26,500) and computers (£24,000) although some individual maximum salaries run up to well over £35,000.

**IDS Top Pay Unit Review 68 of salaries and benefits*: on subscription from IDS, 193 St John Street, London EC1V 4LS: phone (01) 250 3434.

Takeover offer for Bank of America

San Francisco (NYT) – BankAmerica Corporation, the California banking company that has staggered from loan loss to loan loss, said it had received a formal offer to be acquired by a bank less than half its size.

The company making the bid is the First Interstate Bancorp, based in Los Angeles.

The complicated share swap would be valued at up to $2.77 billion, which would make it the largest banking acquisition in American history.

The merger would also create a bank with almost $170 billion in assets, rivalling Citicorp as the largest bank in the country.

BankAmerica, with about $117 billion in assets, is the second-largest American bank, behind Citicorp, the New York institution that has $176 billion in assets. First Interstate is the country's ninth-largest bank, with assets of about $50 billion.

The directors of BankAmerica said they would ask for more information before considering the offer.

Another takeover drama has begun on the East Coast, where Mr Carl Icahn, the New York investor, offered to pay $8 billion for USX Corp, formerly known as US Steel.

The First Interstate proposal is the latest challenge to Mr Samuel H Armacost, the embattled president and chief executive of BankAmerica, who has kept his job despite very large losses and a scandal involving real estate securities.

BankAmerica's problems stem mainly from bad loans to foreign nations and to companies in real estate, energy production, agriculture and shipping.

The company lost $640 million in the second quarter, the second-largest loss in banking history, behind the $1.16 billion lost by the Continental Illinois Corp in the second quarter of 1984. The losses have depressed BankAmerica's share price to near its all-time low, making it susceptible to a takeover.

The offer involves a complicated exchange of shares. Each of BankAmerica's 153.6 million shares of common stock would be exchanged for 0.22 share of First Interstate common as well as one share of a new participating preference stock that would be issued by the combined company.

First Interstate closed at $54.75 on Monday, down 37.5 cents, on the New York Stock Exchange. That would mean that 0.22 shares would be worth $12 and the total of First Interstate common stock involved in the transaction would be worth $1.85 billion. BankAmerica shares closed onMonday at $12.25, up 87.5 cents.

Banking industry sources said they thought the bank might consider the offer inadequate.

A merger could be beneficial to both banks, according to banking industry sources. It would restore a dividend to BankAmerica shareholders who have seen the payout cancelled because of loan losses.

Volcker is linked with top post at the IMF

From Bailey Morris, Washington

Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the United States Federal Reserve Board, as the next managing director of the International Monetary Fund? Preposterous as it may sound, the idea is taken seriously in Washington as Central Bank watchers ponder the end of the Volcker era.

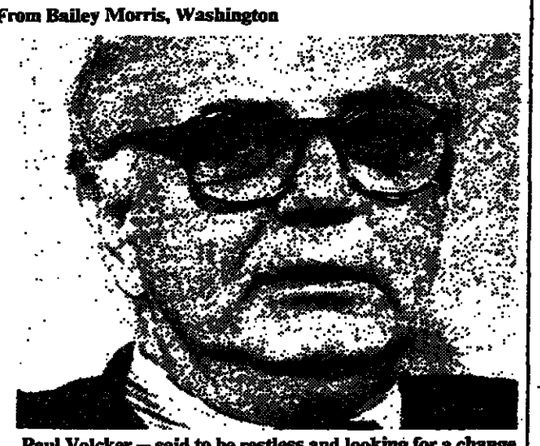
It is unlikely that Europe's traditional hold on the IMF's senior position will be broken but the fact that there is speculation suggests two things. Support for the obvious European candidates is lukewarm. Equally important, events of recent months which have brought dramatic changes to the Fed bolster the growing consensus that MrVolcker is looking for another job.

European finance ministers will attempt to unite behind an IMF candidate in Brussels next Monday, having failed to do so last week in Washington. That meeting that will either fuel or dampen the speculation. But the other end of the rumour, that Mr Volcker is restless and seeks a change, will be more difficult to dispel.

The sudden resignation last week of Mr Emmett Rice, a Federal Reserve governor and one of the last of the unqualified Volcker supporters, marks an important turning point at the US Central Bank. The only philosophical ally left is Mr Henry Wallich who is ill and could be forced to leave the seven-member board before his term expires in 1988.

This would give President Reagan the rare opportunity to appoint five perhaps six of the standing governors, further consolidating the supply-side, or easy money stance of the board. Mr Volcker, whose second term expires in 1987, could suddenly find it difficult to build support for his agenda after ruling the Fed with an iron hand for almost a decade.

Although he is said to be seeking another job, few expect Mr Volcker to leave his powerful post before next August. Equally firm is the growing conviction that he would not accept another term if one was offered by the Reagan Administration. The other leading candidates are Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, and Mr Manuel H. Johnson, vice-chairman of the Federal Reserve and a former Treasury official.



Paul Volcker – said to be restless and looking for a change

MrVolcker has forged an alliance with the Reagan-appointed majority – Mr Johnson, Martha Seegar, Wayne Angell and Robert Heller – all of whom were sworn in this year. But the Central Bank has changed dramatically since 1979 when Mr Volcker became chairman, determined to beat inflation with tight-money policies many blamed for the 1981-82 recession. The board, itself, is more independent.

The American economy has gone from bust to boom and is again weakening. The emphasis of the Fed has shifted from inflation to preventing another steep recession.

Last February was a critical turning point which marked the end of Mr Volcker's dominance. Four of the Reagan appointees staged a palace coup, demanding that the Fed cut the discount rate to stimulate the economy despite Mr Volcker's assertion that such a move, if not coordinated with West Germany and Japan, would dangerously weaken the dollar.

The majority prevailed, by a 4-to-3 vote, and Mr Volcker threatened to resign. Only later was a face-saving compromise patched together by MrAngell and Mr Volcker which allowed a deal on coordinated interest rate cuts.

Having lost an important battle to the Reagan majority, Mr Volcker became more sensitive to their demands. In recent months, as his concern over the persistent United States trade deficit has grown, Mr Volcker has sided with them increasingly.

Meanwhile, a list is in circulation of possible successors to Mr Rice, the only black on the board. He was named to the board by President Carter in 1979, the same year that Volcker became chairman. His term expires in January, 1990. His resignation is effective on December 31.

Most of the candidates mentioned as possible successors are black officials with strong conservative backing and supply-side leanings that complement the views of the Reagan "gang of four".

They include Mary Bush, a former treasury official who is the American alternative executive director of the IMF, Mr Wendall Wilkie Gunn, a White House economic policy official who formerly worked for Chase Manhattan Bank, ProfessorWalter Williams of George Mason University, Virginia where Mr Johnson taught, Mr Alan Reynolds, an economist for the polyeconomics firm in Morristown, New Jersey and, possibly, Mr Harold Black, a North Carolina constituent of Senator Jesse Helms.

Chile set to stay top of copper producers

By Richard Lander

Chile is on course to enhance its dominance over world copper production during the next decade, according to a study by Mr Alan Davison of Shearson Lehman Brothers, the metal traders.

In his annual review of the copper industry, Mr Davison said this would be achieved as new projects came on stream, and existing mines expanded their output in the public and private sector.

He predicted that Chilean production would rise from 1.35 million to 1.45 million tonnes this year, having barely topped one million tonnes at the start of the decade.

Chilean mines produce copper at costs ranging from 30-50 cents per pound, which is well below the current market price of around 60c, and are kept competitive by currency devaluations.

Among other leading producers, American copper companies have achieved large savings by forcing through wage reductions of 20 per cent this year.

Although these have been imposed without strikes, Mr Davison predicted disruption could happen in Canada if producers there followed suit.

Mr Davison also foresaw a dire future for the Zambian copper industry, particularly if the Lusaka Government carried out threats to cease trading with South Africa, which provides vital supplies for the mines and is the main route for copper exports.

The review also predicts that copper will remain generally within a 55-70c price band until the end of 1988, with little chance of advancing further until the 1990s, when mine capacity utilisation should rise to reflect the recent postponement of several significant projects.

Looking at the medium term prospects, Mr Davison said: "Any rallies over 70-75c will meet heavy hedge selling from mining companies looking to lock in attractive prices.

Conversely, prices below 60c cannot be sustained without prompting production cut backs which would tighten up the market."

Confident USM celebrates debut of its 500th company

By Cliff Feltham

The Unlisted Securities Market – once the ugly sister of the Square Mile – achieved another milestone this week with the arrival of its 500th company.

It was perhaps somewhat unfortunate that the company concerned, courier service Interlink Express – received a rather mixed reception, detracting from what was otherwise an occasion for a ceremonial uncorking of champagne.

But while the reception for the company was mixed there was no disguising the ebullient mood on the USM itself – something of a turnabout from a few months ago when the pundits were predicting a doubtful future for the market when it came to terms with Big Bang.

There have been widespread fears that Big Bang could represent the end of a two-way market in smaller companies, those with a market value of under £50 million.

But there are signs that the new financial services set-up in advance of the City revolution are preparing to offer a house market-making facility in USM stocks they have sponsored.

At the same time there has been no slackening in the number of companies applying to join the USM, now running at the rate of two to three a week.

Many may have been encouraged to come to the market ahead of the British Gas flotation which will drain a lot of cash out of the system.

Others feel it is more prudent to obtain a listing before the general election in case sentiment alters dramatically.

This trend was highlighted in a recent survey by Peat Marwick, the accountancy firm, which showed that 27 companies joined in the second quarter of the year compared with seven in the first quarter.

Mr Geoffrey Douglas of Hoare Govett, the broker, a keen USM follower, says that he is very confident about prospects.

"I think there has been a lot of alarmist talk about the USM and what will happen after Big Bang but I do not see much changing. A lot of financial houses are planning to make a market in their own USM stocks which will also widen the interest in the market."

Mr Peter Whittall of Kleinwort Grieveson says the market has never been healthier. He believes many market makers who may find the going tough in some of the larger companies on the main market will look to smaller companies on the USM.

However, it may be necessary to improve liquidity and for some of the directors and families who often control up to 80 per cent of the shares in USM companies to release more equity on to the market.

Decision near on shopping centres

By Our City Staff

Town planners will decide next week between two rival schemes for a shopping centre at Cribbs Causeway on the northern outskirts of Bristol. Each scheme costs about £100 million. One is advanced by a local developer. J T Baylis, which owns about 250 acres of land in the area, the other by Prudential Portfolio Managers, which is operated by Prudential Assurance.

There are only four regional shopping centres in Britain at present and a Cribbs Causeway development would be the first in the South West. The Baylis group has taken members and officials of Northavon District Planning Committee – which will make the decision – to see regional shopping centres at Brent Cross, North London and Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire. And the Prudential, which has Marks and Spencer among its backers, took a large party to see a Madrid centre.

Carrefour opened a 110,000 sq ft hypermarket there in 1979 and J T Baylis has developed retail supermarkets there for companies such as Harris Queensway, Toys R Us and B&Q.

M25 shopping

Prudential Portfolio Managers, part of the Prudential Corporation, plan to develop a 900,000 sq ft shopping park on Green Belt land near the M25 at Orpington, Kent. Only 15 per cent of the site will be used for retailing. The rest will become a nature conservation site.

Estate agents to launch financial services group

By Judith Huntley, Commercial Property Correspondent

A consortium of 10 regional groupings of independent estate agents is to set up a new financial services group. Called Team Agencies, it could be worth £12 million, its merchant bank, Brown, Shipley & Co. said.

Team Agencies will provide the 109 member firms of the Team Association with the back-up to sell mortgage-linked endowment insurance and house contents insurance.

The Team Association, established in 1982, has 300 branches which sold houses worth a total £2.5 billion last year. The Association markets and lists properties on a computer system

Brown, Shipley is offering a restricted subscription for sale in the new operation. Legal & General, Scottish Life, Commercial Union and Norwich Union will subscribe to 25 per cent of Team Agencies for £1.5 million by acquiring B shares. Estate agent members of the Team Association will have 55 per cent of the operation with A shares for £360,000. The merchant bank will hold 10 per cent and C shares will be available for staff.

Mr Richard Putnam, the chairman of Team Agencies, said it would offer an independent range of products and maintain independent estate agents in the battlefor the lucrative spin-offs from buying and selling houses.

Coffee price rises on Brazil drought

By Our City Staff

Coffee prices continued upwards on their roller-coaster ride yesterday as a report from a firm of brokers predicted a continued squeeze on supplies until the end of the year.

The report, by E D and F Man, said that the market was entering a seasonally tight period with roasters in consuming countries stepping up their buying before harvesting.

The situation has been aggravated by the drought in Brazil which has forced that country to import coffee to meet local demand and to cut its exports.

On the London Commodity Exchange January futures added to Monday's £75 gains by rising £72 at one stage to £2,330 a tonne. The market ended off its high at £2,306 but New York prices were also sharply ahead.

Prices on the London market have already swung up and down by £400 during the past two months on changing fears of possible shortages and speculative trading by commodity funds.

● Trading in the two energy contracts launched by the International Petroleum Exchange, an affiliate of the LCE, were away to a quiet start

As expected, the heavy fuel oil futures made the better entry, with 71 contracts traded in the nearby November position at prices ranging between £71 and £73.50 a tonne.

COMPANY NEWS

● **THE MERSEY DOCKS & HARBOUR COMPANY:** In the half year to June, with figures in £000, turnover was 25,914 (28,083), operating profit 1,469 (1,842), pretax profit 1,028 (1,416). Tax nil (400). Earnings per share were 5.14p (5.08p). There were severance costs of 7,485 (1,545) less repayable government grants 4,267 (1,545) and non-repayable government grants 3,218 (nil).

● **THE JAMES HALSTEAD GROUP:** A final dividend of 3p has been declared for the year to June 30, making a total of 5p (4p), payable December 5. Turnover totalled £37,718,917 (£35,193,917), profit by activity flooring products £3,707,347 (£3,315,990), leisure products £581,040 (£351,694) and discontinued activities nil (£175,632). Group costs were £180,228 (£261,455), employees' profits share £205,408 (£161,530), share of profit of associated companies £25,842 (£6,435) and pretax profit £3,928,593 (£3,075,502).

● **RIVLIN:** The company is disposing of two properties which it owned at the time CMD acquired its stake in Rivlin and which do not fit in with its new strategy as a property business. It is also acquiring an interest in a City development.

● **HUNTING PETROLEUM:** Six months to June 30 (comparisons restated). Interim dividend 3.5p (2.5p). Figures in £000. Turnover 101,028 (126,212), profit before tax 3,026 (3,181), tax 1,567 (1,368), eps basic 6.78p (8.35p) and fully diluted 6.68p (7.84p).

● **SHEPHERD NEAME:** Final dividend 11p making 14.25p (12.25p) for year to June 30, payable on October 31. Turnover £17.26 million (£15.78 million), pretax profit £2.39 million (£2.05 million).

● **TR PACIFIC BASIN INVESTMENT TRUST:** Half year to July 31. Interim dividend 0.5p, payable on October 22. The board intends to recommend not less than 1p for the current year. Income £1,416,568 (£1,038,842), total revenue £1,489,462 (£1,082,685), revenue before tax £1,007,816 (£668,416) and eps 0.93p (0.56p).

● **PROCESS SYSTEMS:** The company has conditionally agreed with Westinghouse to acquire its MDA business, engaged in the manufacture and sale of translators and magnetic tape and solid state stand-alone recorders, for a total of about $7.5 million (£5.2 million) cash.

● **THERMAL SCIENTIFIC:** Conditional agreement to purchase the assets of Uniplex Corporation of Meplewood, New Jersey, for about $3,800,000 cash (£2,600,000). About $3 million is payable on completion and the remaining $500,000 three years thereafter.

● **DOWDING AND MILLS:** Mr PL Hollings says in his annual statement that he is confident profits will improve in the current year.

● **FOBEL INTERNATIONAL:** The chairman, Mr Alan Leboff, says in his annual statement that the current year is progressing well and reserves are expected to improve sufficiently for dividends to be resumed for the year ended December 31.

● **PERCY BILTON:** Six months to June 30. Figures in £000. Interim dividend 4.2p (4p), turnover – excluding intercompany transactions – 11,678 (13,497), property and investment activities 7,357 (5,325), construction including housing 739 (1,873), pretax profit 5,412 (5,178), profit after tax 4,232 (3,498), eps 10.5p (9.0p).

● **DALECARE:** Investors in Industry has completed arrangements for a £4.5 million first-round financing for Dalecare, a new healthcare group which plans to open a network of nursing homes. Most will be in Southern England.

● **CCA GALLERIES:** Six months to June 30. Figures in £000. Interim dividend 0.8p, payable on November 17, turnover 1,992 (2,019), pretax profit 223 (286), eps 3.3p (4.8p adjusted). Turnover and profits for the whole year expected to show an improvement over 1985.

● **GREAT PORTLAND ESTATES:** The company has further increased the retail content of its property portfolio by the acquisition of the Toys R Us store in Wood Green, north London.

● **MORE O'FERRALL:** The company has purchased Carlton poster sites for £150,000 cash.

● **PHOENIX TIMBER:** Mr Dennis Cook, former chairman, has received £170,000 in compensation for loss of service, the group's accounts for the year to March 31 reveal.

● **NORTH BRITISH CANADIAN INVESTMENT CO:** Six months to August 31. Interim dividend 2.15p (2p) payable on November 10, eps 3.61p (3.45p), net asset value per share 311.4p (249.5p).

● **CITYVISION:** The company and CBS/FOX Video announce that the litigation relating to their jointly owned company, Videoserve, has been settled.

● **BROWNLEE:** The board of Meyer International says the OFT has indicated that the acquisition of Brownlee by Meyer does not appear to qualify for investigation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

● **SIEBE:** Siebe's garage equipment company Tecalemit is acquiring the garage equipment division of GKN-Laycock Engineering from November 10.

● **LEE INTERNATIONAL:** The company has agreed to acquire Delta Sound Services for the issue of 375,000 Lee ordinary shares and a cash payment of £300,000.

● **CITY MERCHANT DEVELOPERS:** CMD, in association with the Church Commissioners, announced that contracts have been exchanged for the acquisition of the freehold properties at 19-25 Birchin Lane, City ofLondon, from the Royal Bank of Scotland. Planning consent has been granted for a redevelopment, which is estimated to cost £47 million and will be fully funded by the Church Commissioners.

● **PETER BLACK:** The assets of Pava, which manufactures toiletries at Swanage, Dorset, have been acquired for £600,000 cash.

● **NORSK HYDRO:** The fertilizer market has been under severe pressure during the third quarter and prices in the European markets are unsatisfactory, says the company. Results from overseas markets continue to be poor. The results for the third quarter, and for 1986 as a whole, will be considerably poorer than expected when the company presented results for the first half in July.

● **MILLWARD BROWN:** The company has agreed to acquire the equity of Ad Factors Inc, a US market research agency for a minimum of $1,932,000 (£1,341,000) and a maximum of $4,727,000 payable by instalments over five years. The initial consideration of $1,932,000 will be satisfied by the issue of 850,000 new ordinary Millward Brown shares.

● **KEELER BRASS CO:** The company, a USsubsidiary of Babcock International and Robert Bosch Gmbh of Stuttgart, West Germany, have formed KB Lighting Inc, a joint venture to supply headlamps to the American automotive industry. It will develop and manufacture headlamps under licence from Bosch and has already been awarded a contract for the 1989 model year worth $15 million (£10.42 million). Volume production will start in mid-1988 in Kentwood, Michigan, a suburb of Grand Rapids, the headquarters of Keeler Brass. A $14 million investment programme is planned for the new company over the next six years.

● **AC Holdings:** For the nine months to June 30 (year to September 1985). No dividend (nil), turnover £115,012 (£252,936), loss before tax £70,911 (£51,474) earnings per share pre-extraordinary items 2.63p (2.57p). These items comprise redundancy costs of £37,567 and a guarantee of overdraft and lease of £82,480. There has been a significant write-off of stock and a substantial provision for liabilities in respect of the forfeiture of a lease. These items totalling £151,247 in addition to redundancy costs amounting to £37,565, are reflected in the accounts for the nine month period under review. The directors have resolved to sell the property at Thames Ditton and negotiations are at an advanced stage. The newly appointed auditors have qualified the accounts as a result of the loss of certain key accounting records for the period prior to April 16. The chairman is confident that the controls which have been instigated by the new board are such that this situation will not be repeated.

● **ALVA INVESTMENT TRUST:** For the six months to end August, interim dividend 1.3p (same). Revenue from invest £44,620 (£69,994), interest from investments £72,000 (£10,500), interest receiveable £16,911 (£42,442), underwriting commission nil (£2,416), gross revenue £133,531 (£125,352), expenses and interest £68,531 (£85,783), pretax profit £65,000 (£39,569), tax £13,155 (£11,871), earnings per share 2.96p (1.58p), net asset value 220.4p (255.3p).

● **FALCON INDUSTRIES:** The company has entered into conditional agreements with the Newship Group to sell the share capital and Wednesfield, West Midlands, factory of Jenks and Cattell, Burgon and Ball and Sound Garden Tools. The agreements are conditional on the approval of Falcon shareholders at an extraordinary meeting on November 11. Falcon expects to receive a cash consideration of £3 million adjustable on completion, so that the net assets of the business to be sold exceed or fall below £2,725million. Falcon has agreed to recapitalise the businesses to be sold prior to their disposal. As a result, the net proceeds of the disposal are expected to reduce the Falcon Group's net borrowings by approximately £3 m

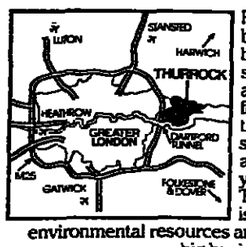
● **COMCAP:** An interim dividend of 0.75p (0.60p) for six months ended June 30 has been declared. With figures in (£000): turnover 33,056 (25,296), gross profit 5,870 (4,106), profit before tax 3,048 (2,197), tax (overseas) 325 (304), minority interests 258 (68), earnings per share 11.76p (8.96p). Comparisons have been adjusted to include the results on a merger basis of Aurit Services acquired on December 31, 1985. The second half normally experiences a higher level of activity and the directors are confident that co will show further progress for the full year. The strength of the European currencies in the period contributed £170,000 of additional profit compared with the corresponding period in 1985. Since June 30 there has been a further dramatic weakening of sterling against the European currencies.

● **MOLINS:** Six months to June 30. Interim dividend 2.2p. Figures in £million. Turnover – tobacco machinery 45.7 (33.5) and corrugated board machinery 17.5 (19.4). Pretax profit 4.6 (2.5), eps 12.8p (6.8p).

● **THOMAS BORTHWICK:** The Stock Exchange official classification of Borthwick has been altered from "overseas trader" to "food manufacturer."

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Six of the world's ten biggest banks are Japanese

Bankers begin to sweat in the heat of the Rising Sun

By Richard Thomson
Banking Correspondent

Mention the name of any international Japanese bank in the presence of a British banker and you will see him twitch. Visions of the fate of the British motorcycle industry are likely to flit through his mind. For while most eyes are turned on the US banks and securities houses in the short term, there are few British bankers who would not rate the Japanese as the biggest long-term source of competition in traditional markets.

The reaction would have been quite different only five years ago, when the world's biggest banks were virtually all American or European, and the Japanese were seen as solid, conservative and preoccupied with their domestic markets. In a remarkably short time all that has changed. In assets size, six out of the 10 biggest banks in the world are now Japanese.

As Japan's trade surplus has grown to enormous proportions, and the US trade figures have turned the other way, the Japanese have found themselves becoming the world's biggest creditors. The responsibility for recycling this new surplus falls to the Japanese banks. Their solution has been to operate as very high-volume, low-cost lenders in several carefully selected areas. What causes most concern is that they are concentrating on the newer types of financial instruments where their aggressive pricing threatens to freeze out their international competitors.

London is the centre for the international operations of most Japanese banks. All 13 Japanese city banks now have branches here, as do the three long- term credit banks and six out of the seven trust banks. They have not been idle. The most recent Bank of England *Quarterly Bulletin* says of the period since 1976: "The most outstanding feature of the decade was the growth of the Japanese banks in London, particularly since 1978. They accounted for more than a third of the total growth in UK banks' international liabilities in the 10 years under review, raising their market share from 13 per cent to 31 per cent."

Over the same period, the American banks, until then the largest foreign presence in London, declined from a 38 per cent to a mere 16 per cent market share. The market share of British banks has remained more or less constant at about 20 per cent.

The very large amounts of money being pumped out by Japanese banks speak for themselves. The most recent Bank of England lending statistics show sterling lending to the British private sector at the end of 1981 was a mere £348 million. By August this year, it was £2.3 billion. Currency lending to the private sector over the same period leaped from £2 bilion to £9.5 billion.

Sterling lending by the Japanese in the monetary sector (mainly interbank business) rose from £465 million to £4 billion, while currency interbank lending grew from £17 billion to more than £28 billion. Far from tailing off, the growth of Japanes credit is accelerating.

According to their competitors, the Japanese win hands down on price and volume. They have concentrated on the Euromarkets and the new financial instruments involving off-balance sheet risk. These are both areas from which they are not excluded by the Japanese version of Glass-Stegall which prevents banks operating in equity securities markets.

The evidence is patchy and tends to be anecdotal, but it is common to hear British bankers grumbling about margins that make no sense in pure profit terms. "They offer silly margins," was the judgement of one clearing bank chairman. "We cannot compete because they are throwing their money into the market at any price," he said. "Silly margins" means, in the words of Morgan Grenfell's bank analysts, something so small it is almost invisible.

"They are providing large subsidies to win lead mandates and dealerships," another banker said. In effect, they are buying their way into the market, both as lenders and as fee and commission-earning lead managers.

The top eight Japanese banks now have close to 12 per cent of the Eurobond market, compared with under 9 per cent two years ago. Their aggressiveness in bidding for business has made hackles rise. Rivals complain bitterly about the Japanese banks' practice of getting non-participating banks to lend their names to financing arrangements to add respectability. In return, the non-participating banks are paid a fee for this service.

The only comfort their competitors derive from the situation is the thought that the Japanese are not innovators. They may throw their money around but they do not know how to invent new instruments, the Europeans and Americans argue. On the other hand, to satisfy their high volume requirements, the Japanese probably do not need to.

Virtually all of this business is in currencies other than sterling. The same is true of direct lending booked in London. Japanese banks took a quarter of the total loan market, or £13 billion, in Britain by May this year, but only 4 per cent of all sterling loans. For this reason, it is probably wrong to regard them as a threat to the British clearers' traditional sterling lending markets within the UK. This is generally a low-margin business which is, in any case, in decline and has little attraction for the Japanese.

Of total lending to British residents, the Japanese had taken only 8 per cent by last May. Much of it was cautiously lent to high-quality risks such as local authorities and building societies.

But the Japanese took 34 per cent of the currency loan market earlier this year. It is not clear what all these loans were and therefore exactly what kind of business this is, though it is an indication of what fine pricing can achieve.

As in other markets, bankers worry about the Japanese producing the "motorcycle effect". One said: "Having hammered the opposition out of sight, they will start jacking profits up again and start to make realistic margins on this business".

The prospect that the Japanese might one day apply the same technique to the highly profitable British retail lending market turns domestic bankers' hair grey.

Though this may seem fanciful, several developments could favour it. In the relatively near future, any institution wanting a ready-made branch network is likely to have the chance to buy a building society. There is less need for a retail branch network, for instance, as techniques such as credit scoring make face-to-face contact less necessary in lending to individuals. At the same time, individuals are showing less loyalty to their banks, and more price sensitivity — exactly the conditions in which low-cost, high-volume Japanese lending might thrive.

A branch network would help to raise retail funds but, like almost all other international banks, the Japanese do not attempt to take retail deposits outside their domestic markets. Virtually all the Japanese bank lending in London is funded out of the interbank market, a relatively expensive source compared with retail deposits. That simply underlines the slimness of the margins the Japanese are content with on their lending business.

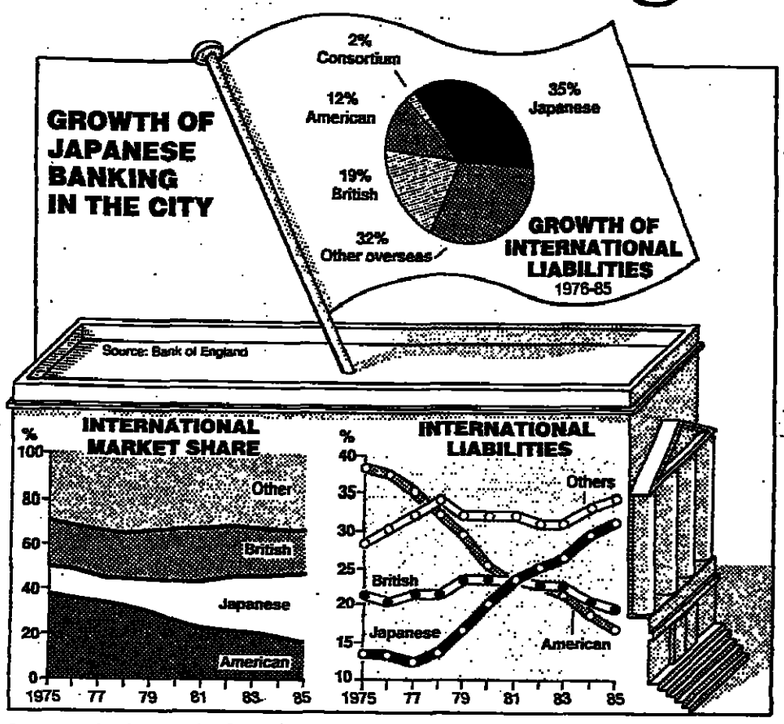
"The Japanese are far less concerned with return on capital than Western bankers," said Mr Andreas Prindl, the managing director of Nomura International Finance, the newest Japanese licensed deposit taker to set up shop in the City.

"Cash flow is less important to them. The Japanese banks aren't under the gun to produce big quarterly gains to pay high dividends, because Japanese investors don't much care for dividends. They want long-term capital growth," he explained.

However, bankers from other countries have inevitably been tempted to cry foul. Mr Peter Leslie, chief general manager of Barclays, became vociferous last year on the subject of capital requirements. While Bank of England capital requirements are among the most stringent in the world, Japanese banks are allowed to get away with far less.

In general, Japanese banks are allowed to maintain a capital adequacy ratio of around 3 per cent while most British and US banks labour under a required ratio about twice as high. Mr Leslie argued that the lower requirement for the Japanese allowed them to lend more cheaply.

"That is both right and wrong," Mr Prindl said. "Japanese banks are more highly geared and that obviously gives them a price advantage. But there are other restraints on them. For example, there are limits on quarterly loan expansion, and limits on loan exposure to certain countries."



COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

Markets still sceptical about Lawson's stand

Yesterday's money supply statistics for the four weeks to September 17 may serve a more useful function than most of late. By confounding earlier dreadful expectations of sterling M3, they should reduce the cost of saving the Chancellor's face in Bournemouth this week by £100 million or more of reserves that will not have to be spent propping up sterling.

If, as seems probably, the figures were the last shot in Nigel Lawson's domestic locker, he is going to need foreign allies in his stand against higher interest rates. The markets have returned already to their cynical stance, persuaded by yesterday's evidence that public sector borrowing is running above the projected £7 billion for the financial year; demand for credit has hardly begun to abate; and foreigners and overseas residents are baling out of sterling. All eyes are glued again to the pound.

Yesterday's figures were heavily influenced by repayments of advanced petroleum revenue tax by the Government due to the fall in the price of oil, which boosted public sector borrowing requirement to £2.7 billion (making £7.8 billion, seasonally adjusted, for the financial year to date). Much of this was reflected in lower borrowings by the oil companies, or more precisely by their eagerness to repay debt. In the event bank lending rose only £900 million compared with a recent norm of £2 billion.

Early effects of the TSB flotation are deemed negligible, as probably, are the early attempts to prop up the pound. Purchases of sterling in exchange for reserves may be seen as reducing the money supply.

All this bears little on the trend of credit in the economy. Mr Lawson himself prefers to look at the more austere narrow money measure MO. To be consistent, he should be a worried man. MO, targetted to rise between 2 and 6 per cent, jumped by 0.75 per cent in the banking month of September compared with 0.5 per cent in August. It is on a rising trend from 4.5 per cent over 12 months to an annualized 6.5 per cent over three months. The markets, fortunately, do not think that is much of a measure.

Future monetary statistics will be even more confused. The next figure will be for the calendar month of October and will be published with a figure for September as a whole distorted in diverse ways by the TSB issue. November will have British Gas. And, since the new figures will be made up on different days of the week, seasonal adjustments could be confused for years ahead.

Meanwhile, life will go on. And it is still a better than an even bet that bank base rates will have to rise: next week rather than this, and by 1 per cent rather than 2. It was particularly noticeable that sterling, having recovered in front of the money figures, fell back later. Interest rates then had to firm up. This suggests that 11 per cent base rates may be needed to sustain sterling in the absence of the appearance of cavalry from the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries, gathered in Geneva, or the Federal Reserve in Washington.

Nationalization folly

For the Japanese to accept the wisdom of an alternative international telecommunications network is not, in itself, surprising. They understand the virtues of competition, albeit competition of the controlled kind in which they specialise, and they are second to none in understanding the economic value of the finest telecommunications systems modern technology can offer. That said, Sir Eric Sharp, head of Cable and Wireless, was not exaggerating when he called Monday "an historic day in the history of telecommunications."

Together with Japanese companies, including the powerful Toyota, and American companies, C and W has formed a consortium which is confident of becoming the second force in Japanese international telecommunications. It will provide "a unique digital highway from the shores of Asia to the shores of Europe...and help accelerate Japan's integration into the world community."

It will also boost the status and earnings of C and W, a model of privatization at work in the real world of competitive business. The release of ambition, talent and energy which nationalization almost invariably stifles is to Mrs Thatcher's everlasting credit.

State ownership, under the sweeter smelling label of social ownership, remains a central plank in Labour Party policy. The party zealots are bent on re-taking British Telecom, despite its appalling performance prior to deregulation and transfer to the private sector. The intention is to rake in Mercury, C and W's vigorous, infant competitor to British Telecom, with BT.

These threats show how little Labour thinking has progressed. Given a chance to breathe, C and W and to a lesser degree BT are showing what they are capable of achieving for their own and the country's good. Without Mercury, a vital link in the structure, it is inconceivable that C and W would today be contemplating the stunning prospect of a digital highway encircling the globe.

If we wish to destroy some of the good things that are happening in British industry, the formula is nationalization.

Where the rich and famous go to pawn the family silver

By Carol Leonard

Down a darkened alley-way on the fringes of the City of London stand two identical mahogany doors. The words "Pledge Department," engraved on frosted glass windows, are the only clue to what lies behind.

Inside, you find yourself in one of two sound-proofed cubby-holes. Locking the door behind you, you can raise tens of thousands of pounds within minutes — with no questions asked.

These thresholds have been crossed by Indian princes bearing emeralds, actresses with large diamonds, brokers with the family silver and secretaries and housewives with nothing more than their wedding rings.

E A Barker is a Houndsditch pawnbroker — but it is unlike any other pawnbroker. Part of the illustrious Mappin & Webb, it is the only pawnbroker within the Square Mile. And, unlikely though it may sound, it is very much a part of the City. Stock market speculators regularly use its services to raise capital to back their fancy in the market.

"During the run-up to the TSB flotation we had dozens of people coming in to pawn their jewellery to buy shares," said Mr Roy Bragg, the manager, peering over his half-rimmed gold spectacles in true Dickensian-style.

Mr Bragg, aged 59 and a pawnbroker since he was 14, never asks customers what the money is for. "Sometimes they tell me but I never ever ask."

He also steadfastly refuses to name any of his more famous clients. "My business has taken me into Buckingham Palace and No. 10 Downing Street — but I'm not going to tell you who the Prime Minister was at the time," he teased.

The service he offers "is no different from that of a bank" — except that his clients are borrowing money without going into debt.

"There's no stigma attached any more. It's a simple business transaction. I lend you the money. You leave goods as security and pay me interest.

"It's not like the old days when women used to pawn their wedding rings just to buy food. Nowadays people come in if they have to to pay a large gas bill or school fees, if they want to book a holiday, punt on a share tip or go out gambling."

One wealthy woman regularly raises up to £15,000 for what she calls "sweetie money." Mr Bragg said: "She sends her chauffeur over in the Rolls-Royce to take me back to her house so that I can give her the money and pick out some of her jewellery. I've no idea what she uses the money for."

Another customer pawns his diamond ring for a £600 loan whenever he gets a stock market tip. "One morning he was waiting for me when I opened up at 9 to put the ring in. He was back at 2pm to take it out and back at 4pm to but it in again. I guess he must have been given another tip."

Mr Bragg will lend money on anything if it will fit into his storeroom in the basement and provided he can value it immediately himself — or within 24 hours with the help of experts. His only other requirement is that the auction value of the pawned goods must be high enough to cover the cost of the loan.

He has had to call in specialists to value a collection of rare books, on which the owner wanted to raise £40,000, and a Ming vase.

But when it comes to putting a price on gem stones and precious metals he is more than a match for any expert. He can spot the difference between real and fake gold or diamonds at a distance and knows every "con-man's" trick in the book.

"After 45 years in the business I've seen just about everything," he said. "Sometimes items which customers have paid hundreds or thousands of pounds for turn out to be worthless. It can come as quite a shock to them."

His biggest loan to date is £25,000 on a cut but unset famous diamond. But there is no official limit. "It's entirely at my discretion."

Interest is charged at 34 per cent on loans of up to £100 and 30 per cent on bigger sums — considerably less than most other pawnbrokers and only a few percentage points higher than the 27.2 per cent charged for cash advances by Barclaycard, which levies an additional 1½ per cent handling fee. There are no hidden charges even if the items pawned need outside valuations. "That's my problem," said Mr Bragg.

There is no minimum loan period so, if you want to reclaim your possessions after just one month, you pay only one-twelfth of the annual interest sum. If you borrow £500 you are asked to sign a six-month contract agreeing to pay an interest charge of £75. But if you return two weeks later and want to terminate the deal it will cost you just £6.25.

If, after six months you have not settled the bill and have not renewed the contract, you will be sent an invoice. If you still do not pay you will receive a letter a month later, telling you where the goods will be sold and what the asking price will be.

Once the goods have been sold, at an auction in London or Birmingham, you will be sent details of the sale with a cheque if there is any balance after payment of the loan and interest and auctioneers' fees.

"We sell only about 30 or 40 lots a year, which is about 2 per cent of our total intake," said Mr Bragg.



Roy Bragg: the man who asks no questions (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shares stay buoyant despite worries over interest rates

By Michael Clark and Carol Leonard

The stock market celebrated the better-than-expected money supply figures in style yesterday, but it could be left nursing a prize hangover when trading resumes today.

After poring over the figures most City economists remain bearish and are convinced that a rise of 1 per cent in bank base rates is still on the way. The 1.6 per cent increase in M3 turned up to be much better than the figure of 3 per cent originally feared.

But it may not be enough to take the pressure off sterling, which continued to hit new lows on the foreign exchange as Opec oil ministers tried to thrash out an agreement on production quotas in Geneva.

Its trade-weighted index hit 67.8 before the Bank of England stepped in to offer support, enabling it to make up some of the lost ground. It closed a net 0.1 up at 68.1, while its value against a weaker dollar slipped nearly ¼ cent to $1.4350.

Mr Tim O'Dell, economist with Phillips & Drew, the broker, said: "We are by no means back to the stage where we can comfortably say there is no need for a rise in interest rates. Another touch on the fiscal brake is required."

Mr O'Dell is sure that a rise in interest rates is unavoidable. Other brokers were agreeing with him last night.

Wood Mackenzie, the broker, said that the figures would go some way to rebuilding confidence. But, although the prospects of avoiding a rise in interest rates had improved, increased pressure on sterling could not be ruled out.

But the equity market was content to push all this in the background, with investors chasing prices higher in a thin market. The FT 30-share index finished 6.1 up at 1,257.3, while the broader based FT-SE 100 extended its lead to 13.4 at 1,592.3.

Government securities sported gains of up to £½, and the renewed demand was the signal for the Government broker to exhaust remaining supplies of two of his remaining tap stocks worth around £400 million.

Consolidated Gold Fields, the mining finance group, continued to hit new heights with a jump of 18p to 622p, helped by renewed speculative buying. A few weeks ago the shares were trading around 495p until market-men heard whispers that someone may have built up a near 5 per cent stake.

The company has long been regarded as a takeover target with the wealthy South African financier, Mr Harry Oppenheimer, continuing to hold a 28 per cent stake through Minerals and Resources Corporation.

Some dealers are hoping that, as a result of the troubles in South Africa, he has now decided to invest part of his riches abroad and bid for the rest of the shares. Others favour a consortium bid followed by a break-up of the various parts which analysts have calculated could be worth around £1.4 billion, or 720p a share, compared with the group's stock market capitalization of £1.2 billion.

Shares of Consolidated Gold have certainly been undervalued over the past few months, and this has been highlighted by the recent surge in the value of gold.

●Polly Peck, the Turkish mineral water to electronics combine, headed by Mr Asil Nadir, surged 8p to 158p yesterday. Expect news within two weeks that the company has signed a joint venture agreement with a blue chip European company to market consumer products in Turkey.

Yesterday the price of the metal reached $442 an ounce before closing unchanged at $436. But it was enough to prompt renewed support for gold shares after the passing of the sanctions bill against South Africa in the United States.

There are some fears that South Africa may decide to impose its own sanctions, creating market shortages. The big American brokers like E F Hutton, Shearson American Express and Merrill Lynch have clarified the position about dealing in South African gold shares with their lawyers, but they are expected to maintain a low profile in the market place.

Most of the shares they buy are in the form of American Depositary Receipts, or picked up via London. Few of them trade directly with the Cape.

Among the other mining financials, **Mineral Resources** rose 30 cents to 820c, **Gold Fields of South Africa** $½ to $13½ and **Rio-Tinto Zinc** 22p to 689p. The big gold producers also sported some useful improvements before closing below their best levels of the day.

Platinum shares were also higher although the price finished lower on the day at $596 an ounce. **Impala Platinum** advanced 25 cents to 1,138c and **Rustenburg Platinum** 10 cents to 1,138c, after 1,150c.

Still looking for a bid, shares of **Exco International**, the money broker and financial services group, came within a whisker of their year's high, rising 8p to 243p. This came after confirmation that the influential Belzburg family in Canada had lifted its holding to 10.4 per cent with the acquisition of an extra 1.5 million shares last week.

These latest purchases leave the way open for Tan Sri Khoo Teck Puat, the Malaysian financier, to launch a full bid, or to sell his 29 per cent stake to someone else. He is already a board member of both Exco and Standard Chartered.

Exco is apparently making efforts to try and establish the Belzburg family's intentions. The company continues to look vulnerable, having already ducked out of a proposed merger earlier this year with Morgan Grenfell, the merchant bank.

Morgan Grenfell was experiencing a few problems of its own, its price tumbling 20p to a new low of 380p after announcing profits earlier this week that exceeded the forecast made with its public flotation this summer.

The shares came to the market at 500p and are now standing at a 120p discount to the original striking price. The fall-off in "mega bids" has affected sentiment, and there are stories that some of the original holders of Morgan Grenfell shares have become disillusioned and are preparing to sell part of their holdings.

Mercury International, which includes Warburg, the merchant bank, Akroyd & Smithers, the jobber, and Rowe & Pitman, the broker, recovered an early fall to finish all-square at 300p.

Norwich Union Insurance has increased its stake after converting its holding of 7.58 per cent cumulative preference shares. It now speaks for 7.91 million shares, or 5.4 per cent.

Hambros slipped 2p to 223p. It is in talks with C E Heath, the insurance broker, to buy its subsidiary, Fielding Insurance. C E Heath firmed 5p to 449p.

Jobbers marked sharply higher the price of **Tyzack Turner**, which makes industrial knives and blades, after learning that two of its biggest shareholders had received approaches for their shares.

Tyzack has confirmed that Boston Investment Management Group and Ayre Mallett, both controlled by Tyzack directors and accounting for 32.06 per cent of the equity, have been offered 75p a share by a mystery suitor, valuing the entire company at nearly £2.5 million.

● Shares of United Biscuits have underperformed the market in the last three months. Yesterday, the price climbed 7p to 229p, compared with a year's low of 217p, after a meeting with fund managers arranged by its joint broker Rowe & Pitman. However, some are doubtfall that the rally can be maintained.

Tyzack finished 10p up at a new peak of 75p, after hitting 83p earlier in the day.

Leaders were firm with **Asda** increasing 4p to 158p, **BTR** advanced 4p to 300p, **British Telecom** the same to 182p and **ICI** 7p to 1104p. Edging downwards were **Thorn EMI**, off 5p at 464p, **Glaxo** 3p lower at 947p and **BOC** 4p down at 302p.

Blue Circle, the cement and building materials group, climbed 6p to 556p on the news that Mr James McColgan will be replacing Mr Keith Court on the main board and as chief executive of the cement division.

Oils had a good day on the back of the Opec meeting in Geneva. **BP** climbed 8p to 691p, **Britoil** 8p to 133p, **Enterprise** 6p to 144p, **Shell** 5p to 913p and **Ultramar** 3p to 161p. **I C Gas**, which has become a perpetual bid tip, recovered from recent bouts of profit-taking, gaining 8p to 491p.

On the "grey market" partly-paid **TSB** shares firmed a few pennies to a middle price of around 90p. The rest of the banking sector was mixed. **Midland** improved a couple to 539p while **Lloyds** lost 3p to 409p. **Barclays** and **National Westminster** were unchanged.

Among composite insurers **General Accident** and **Guardian Royal** each put on 7p to 809p and 789p respectively, as did **Royal Insurance** and **Sun Alliance** to 779p and 669p. **Commercial Union** firmed 5p to 277p.

Burns-Anderson, the mini-merchant bank based in Manchester, fell just 2p to 78p despite a one-for-five rights issue at 71p to raise £2.3 million to fund further expansion into financial services. The company has forecast profits of £1.7 million for the present year, against £900,000 last time, which would bring its p/e ratio down from 18 to 13.8.

Grand Metropolitan, the brewing and hotels company, gained 10p to 443p, as speculative stories about takeover bids continued to circulate. Laing & Cruickshank, the broker, was said to have been bidding for stock in the market, and some gossips liked to think that it was on behalf of its regular client, Mr Gerald Ronson.

A couple of American brokers were also seen to be buying. Sector specialists at Wood Mackenzie, the Scottish broker, estimate that the stock is worth £6 a share in break-up.

But they say that, without a bid, it is only worth around 420p, and they have switched their recommendation from a "buy" to a "hold".

Other brewers did almost as well. **Allied Lyons** recovered 5p tp 413p, **Bass** 8p to 695p and **Guinness** 5p to 318p.

Storehouse led the way in the retail sector, rising 10p to 310p. **Ernest Jones**, the jeweller, gained 8p to 84p, **Ratners** 7p to 216p and **W H Smith A** shares 4p to 262p.

TEMPUS

Betting shops lead the field at Sears

Sears, long seen as the lumbering giant of the British high street, did not produce any surprises in its interim figures to dispel that view.

Pretax profits of £77 million were much as expected, after accounting for the £3.5 million above the line contribution from the sale of the stake in Central Television.

The breakdown of profits provided more interest. Stores showed an 8.3 per cent dip in trading profit as the downturn in American tourists hit Sefridges and Lewis's stores had to bear the disruptions and costs of refurbishment.

The multiple fashion division, however, did well boosted by a star performance from Wallis, whose separates were just what the public wanted.

Fosters was also in for a full six months against four the previous half, which added an extra £1 million.

Footwear trading profits were 2 per cent higher, which included a 7.5 per cent improvement in Europe and a small loss in the United States.

Cost cutting in Europe is clearly bearing fruit and a similar exercise is now underway in the US.

The most exciting news came from the betting shops which raced away to a 66 per cent improvement over the previous first half.

The Belgian acquisition of 360 shops chipped in an estimated £750,000, which still left a hefty 56.7 per cent improvement at William Hill.

With betting shops becoming more comfortable for punters and satellite television coming on stream next year, the fortunes of the bookies look set to continue their climb.

The second half has started well with a perceptible return of American visitors. The autumnal nip at the start of September helped fashion sales, although warm weather now is not welcome.

Full-year profits should come out about £210 million giving a prospective price earnings ratio of 12.8.

The discount to the stores sector persists and the prospective yield at 4.6 per cent is far more generous than anything else on offer.

There is no bid speculation in the share price and with the Pickard factor yet to be felt — Mr Michael Pickard joined the group as deputy chief executive from September 1 — the shares could present a buying opportunity.

Telephone Rentals

There are no complaints from Telephone Rentals about poorly performing overseas subsidiaries or the dismal state of the South African economy. The group's interim profits feature a 40 per cent rise in profits from abroad in the first half of 1986 and the succesful flotation of its South African unit.

Unfortunately for TR, which sells and hires a wide range of telecommunication and related equipment, the news from its main home base is less sparkling. The Britishtelecom market's version of Big Bang — liberalization and the float of BT — has provided plenty of scope for TR to prove itself but has allowed competitors new and old to do the same.

TR is taking a realistic view of its difficulties and is encouraging the City not to expect anything too exciting for the full year. Interim pretax profits were up 12 per cent at £7.8 million and analysts are now looking for £17 million for the full year. However a higher tax charge and an expanded share base following last year's purchase of Cass will probably leave earning: unchanged.

The shares, 3p lower at 175p, stand on a prospective p/e ratio of 13 and appear to have little upward potential. However a number of factors should limit downside risk, including the healthy rental and maintenance sides, a 6.4 per cent gross yield and a whole crop of rumoured predators from the Britishelectronics industry.

Bowthorpe Holdings

Bowthorpe thinks its management is the best in the world at running small companies which are active in the multinational arena. Not suprisingly, therefore, with the exception of its commodity-oriented cable ties operation, the group is made up of niche businesses operating in fragmented international markets. Broadly based by activity, area and customer type, it is thus protected from major swings in the market.

The company's record shows that this strategy works. Between 1981 and 1985, it achieved average compound growth in pretax profits and earnings per share of 19.5 per cent and 20.3 per cent respectively. The average return on operating assets over the period was comfortably over 40 per cent.

Organic growth is running at just under 20 per cent per annum. A fifth of group profits is earned by businesses acquired since 1980. Bowthorpe aims to buy companies on pretax price/earnings ratios of around seven times. As one might imagine, these are hard to come by, making it difficult for the group to spend its cash.

In the first half of 1986, however, Bowthorpe made several small acquisitions costing £12.6 million in all. It will continue to look for specific opportunities in the UK and US to augment existing businesses. The group also wants to increase its exposure to instrumentation (currently around 5 per cent of turnover).

Rather paradoxically, a change of government should increase Bowthorpe's defence business (over 25 per cent of the whole). A cancellation of Trident would lead to higher spending on conventional weapons. A boost to the construction industy would also be beneficial.

It is hard to find fault with Bowthorpe. Of its 40-odd companies, all but three small onesare doing well. Without signifying anything spectacular, it is encouraging to note that trading in the second half is, so far, ahead of expectations. Margins are widening even though prices are under pressure. There is scope to cut costs further.

Bowthorpe's 1986 profits will be up a predictable 20 per cent to £28 million. The shares are selling on a price/earnings ratio of 15.8 times — high compared to the bombed out stocks in the sector — but fair given the quality of earnings. The shares may not race ahead in the short term but are rightly considered to be the perfect core holding in the sector.

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
Sep 22	Oct 3	Dec 18	Jan 5
Oct 6	Oct 17	Jan 8	Jan 19
Oct 20	Oct 31	Jan 22	Feb 2

Call options were taken out on: 7/10/86 Equity & General, Guinness Peat, Polly Peck, North Kalgurli Mines, Palma Group, Stormguard, Kia Ora, Peek Holdings, Milford Docks, J.E. England, Jones Minning, Tranwood Group, Conroy Pets., Brooke Tool, Energy Capital, Sound Diffusion, Bristol Oil & Minerals, Ecobric, Common Bros., Berkeley & Hay Hill, Cluff Oil, Abaco Investments, Apricot Computers, Cronite Group, Fobel, Morgan Grenfell, Ivanhoe Gold.
Put: Conroy Pets.
Put & Call: Equity & General, Raine Industries.

WALL STREET

Shares slip at start

New York (Reuter) — Wall Street shares moved lower in moderate early trading yesterday. Takeover candidates dominated the active list after bids for USX Corporation and BankAmerica.

Uncertainties about the economy, earnings and interest rates deterred investors.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 5.91 points to 1,778.54 on 35 million shares traded. Declining issues led advancing issues by a ratio of seven to four.

USX gained 1½ to 28. The financier, Mr Carl Icahn, has proposed an acquisition for $31 a share. BankAmerica rose 2⅞ to 15⅛th.

The transportation average was down 2.37 points to 819.88 and utilities, at 198.99, were down 1.21 points.

Stocks were down 2.57 points at 710.38. The Standard and Poors 100 index was down 0.94 points at 221.44.

	Oct 6	Oct 3
AMR	58½	57¼
ASA	39¼	38¾
Allied Signal	40½	40
Allied Strs	64¾	64½
Allis Chlmrs	2⅝	2⅝
Alcoa	36½	36¾
Amax Inc	15¼	15⅜
Am'rda Hs	23⅜	23
Am Brands	43⅞	42¾
Am Can	83	82½
Am Cynm'd	74	73¾
Am El Pwr	27¼	27½
Am Express	56½	55½
Am Home	75	74½
Am Motors	3	3
Am St nrd	38⅛	38½
Am Teleph	22½	22½
Amoco	66¼	67
Armco Steel	7⅛	7⅝
Asarco	15	14¾
Ashland Oil	60¾	60½
At Richfield	58⅝	57⅜
Avon Prods	33⅞	34
Bkrs Tst NY	44½	43½
Bankamer	12⅜	11¾
Bk of Bston	39⅛	38⅞
Bank of NY	57⅜	57¾
Beth Steel	7⅝	7½
Boeing	54⅝	53½
Bse Cascde	58¼	58⅝
Brden	44⅝	44¾
Bg Warner	34⅝	35⅜
Brist Myers	72⅜	35⅛
BP	39⅛	39⅛
Burl'ton Ind	35⅞	35⅛
Burl'ton Nrn	57½	56½
Burroughs	70½	70¾
Cmpbell Sp	58¾	57⅜
Can Pacific	11⅞	11⅛
Caterpillar	37⅜	37⅞
Celanese	215½	208¼
Central SW	33⅜	33½
Champion	26	26⅛
Chase Man	37⅜	36⅜
Chm Bk NY	43½	43¼
Chevron	45⅛	44⅝
Chrysler	37½	36⅛
Citicorp	48	49
Clark Equip	20	19½
Coca Cola	35½	34½
Colgate	38⅛	38⅛
CBS	123½	123⅛
C'mbia Gas	42⅜	42⅞
Cmb'tn Eng	32	31¼
Comwlth Ed	31⅛	31⅜
Cons Edis	45½	45
Cn Nat Gas	31	30¼
Cons Power	12⅜	13
Cntrl Data	27	26⅛
Corning Gl	50¼	50⅝
CPC Intl	59¼	60⅝
Crane	28½	28⅛
Crn Zeller	50⅜	50⅝
Dart & Kraft	55¼	55
Deere	23	23⅝
Delta Air	47	45½
Detroit Ed	16⅝	16⅜
Digital Eq	92½	92⅛
Disney	41½	40⅞
Dow Chem	55⅛	54⅝
Dresser Ind	17¼	17⅛
Duke Power	45¼	45½
Du Pont	78½	79
Eastern Air	9	9
Estm Kodak	55⅛	55
Eaton Corp	69½	68⅝
Emerson El	81⅝	81
Exxon Corp	66⅝	67½
Fed Dpt Strs	86⅛	87⅛

	Oct 6	Oct 3
Firestone	24⅞	24⅝
Fst Chicago	27⅛	27
Fst Int Bncp	54¾	55½
Fst Penn C	9⅝	9½
Ford	54⅝	53⅛
FT Wachva	36⅝	36⅜
GAF Corp	33¼	33½
GTE Corp	55⅞	56
Gen Corp	76½	77
Gen Dy'mcs	73	72½
Gen Electric	71⅜	71⅛
Gen Inst	19⅜	20
Gen Mills	78	79
Gen Motors	68½	68⅝
Gn Pb Ut ny	22½	22⅜
Genesco	3	3
Georgia Pac	36½	36⅞
Gillete	39	38⅞
Goodrich	39	38½
Goodyear	33⅛	33¾
Gould Inc	19⅝	20
Grace	46⅜	46⅛
Gt Att & Tac	22½	22½
Gr'hnd	33⅜	33
Gruman Cor	25¼	25⅜
Gulf & West	63¼	62
Heinz H.J.	40⅛	39⅞
Hercules	53⅞	53½
H'lett-Pkrd	38⅝	38⅛
Honeywell	70⅝	70⅞
IC Inds	24⅛	24¼
Ingersoll	52⅛	52⅜
Inland Steel	18⅝	19
IBM	133½	130⅝
INCO	14⅛	14⅛
Int Paper	67¼	68
Int Tel Tel	49⅛	49⅛
Irving Bank	48¼	48⅜
Jhnsn & Jhn	63⅞	64⅝
Kaiser Alum	17½	17⅜
Kerr McGee	27½	27¼
Kmb'ly Clrk	80	80
K Mart	45½	46½
Kroger	30¼	30½
L.T.V. Corp	2½	2⅛
Litton	75⅝	75¼
Lockheed	44⅛	44⅛
Lucky Strs	36⅛	36
Man H'nver	44⅛	45
Manville Cp	2⅝	2½
Mapco	49¾	49½
Marine Mid	47⅛	46⅝
Mrt Marietta	43¼	43½
Masco	24	24⅝
McDonalds	59⅝	57⅜
McDonnell	84⅜	84¼
Mead	56	55⅜
Merck	101¼	99½
Mnsta Mng	100⅝	100½
Mobil Oil	37½	37⅜
Monsanto	69½	69⅜
Morgan J.P.	84⅛	83⅝
Motorola	37⅛	38
NCR Corp	47⅛	47½
NL Indstrs	5½	5⅛
Nat Distrs	41½	41
Nat Med Enl	24⅛	24½
Nat Smcndt	9½	9½
Norfolk Sth	82½	81
NW Bancrp	35⅛	35½
Occidnt Pet	29½	29
Ogden	44	44½
Olin Corp	39⅜	39½
Owens-Ill	40¼	40½
Pac Gas El	24⅛	24
Pan Am	5⅛	5⅛
Penney J.C.	71½	72⅛
Pennzoil	62⅛	62¼
Pepsico	26⅛	26¼

	Oct 6	Oct 3
Pfizer	57⅛	57¾
Phelps Dge	20¼	19⅛
Phlip Mrs	68	67
Phillips Pet	10⅝	10½
Polaroid	66⅛	64½
PPG Ind	64½	64¾
Prctr Gmbl	69⅝	68¾
Pb S E & G	40½	40⅝
Raytheon	63⅝	63
Rynlds Met	46½	46⅛
Rockwell Int	40	39⅛
Royal Dutch	89⅛	88⅛
Safeways	59¼	60½
Sara Lee	61⅞	61⅞
SFE Sopac	28⅜	28½
Schl'berger	34⅞	34⅝
Scott Paper	61⅜	61⅛
Seagram	60	60
Sears Rbck	40⅞	41⅞
Shell Trans	52⅞	52⅜
Singer	49⅞	52½
Smthkln Bk	80⅛	80⅞
Sony	19½	18⅛
Sth Cal Ed	33⅛	32½
Sperry Corp	n/a	75⅛
Std Oil Ohio	47⅛	47
Sterling Drg	42½	42
Stevens JP	36½	36⅜
Sun Comp	54	53⅝
Teledyne	311½	312
Tenneco	40⅜	40⅝
Texaco	33⅜	33⅞
Texas E Cor	29⅜	30
Texas Inst	112⅝	110½
Texas Utls	33	33⅛
Textron	56	56
Travlrs Cor	44⅝	43¾
TRW Inc	93⅛	92½
UAL Inc	58⅞	58⅞
Unilever NV	211½	210
Un Carbide	20⅛	20½
Un Pac Cor	57½	56⅝
Utd Brands	34	34⅞
USG Corp	41⅛	41⅞
Utd Technol	42⅛	42⅜
USX Corp	26½	26⅛
Unocal	23⅜	23⅜
Jim Walter	42⅛	43⅛
Wrner Lmbt	54	53⅛
Wells Fargo	102⅝	100⅛
W'tghse El	54½	53½
Weyerh ser	35½	35⅛
Whirlpool	61	60¾
Woolworth	40	40
Xerox Corp	52⅛	51⅝
Zenith	20	20

CANADIAN PRICES

Abitibi	23½	22⅛
Alcn Alum	43⅝	43⅛
Algoma Stl	13⅛	13¼
Can Pacific	16½	16⅛
Cominco	13½	13½
Con Bathrst	23⅝	23½
Hkr/Sid Can	26⅜	26⅛
Hdsn B Mn	24⅝	24⅛
Imasco	34	33½
Imperial Oil	44⅝	45½
In Pipe	40⅛	40⅛
Ryl Trustco	29⅜	30⅛
Seagram	82½	83½
Steel Co	21⅜	23¼
Thmsn N 'A	28½	27⅛
Vanity Corp	2.65	2.65
Wlkr Hiram	37½	37⅛
WCT	13½	13

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Anglia Secs (115p)	190
Appleyard (125p)	9 +1
BBB Design (67p)	68
Beaverco (145p)	150
Broad St (43p)	51
Chelsea Man (125p)	127 −1
Creighton Labs (130p)	195 +7
Euro Home (160p)	128 +3
Eve Construction (105p)	106
Fletcher Dennys (70p)	67 −1
Great Southern (135p)	153 +1
Guthrie Corp (150p)	168 +1
Harrison (150p)	160 +2
Hille Ergonom (92p)	90 +2
Hughes Food (20p)	24 +½
Local Lon Gp	170 +5
M6 Cash & C (100p)	93
Marina Dev (110p)	83
Marlborough Tech (110p)	121
Miller & Santhouse (105p)	144
Newage Trans (75p)	73
Radamec Gp (90p)	90
Sandell Perkins (135p)	161 +1
Scot Mtge 100% =25	£17¼
Stanley Leisure (110p)	143
Thames TV (190p)	261 +4
Treas sH%i/l 2016 =97	293⅞
Unilock (63p)	69 +1
Yelverton (38p)	37
Yorkshire TV (125p)	140

RIGHTS ISSUES

Banro Inds N/P	21
Boots N/P	234 +2
Christy Hunt F/P	30
Comtech Fin N/P	£1
Goodhead Print N/P	7
Leisuretime N/P	7 −1
New Ct Nat Res F/P	7
Platignum N/P	1
Thurgar N/P	5½ −1
Tilbury N/P	13
Tiphook N/P	47 −2

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Allied Lyons (*313)	300	15	28	40	4	11	13
	330	2½	16	23	23	25	30
	360	1	4	10	50	55	58
BP (*693)	600	98	115	133	1	5	12
	650	48	75	93	3	15	30
	700	17	38	55	23	35	53
Cons Gold (*622)	500	127	135	147	1	11	15
	550	77	97	114	2	17	25
	600	32	62	80	10	30	45
Courtaulds (*283)	250	25	36	46	1½	6	9
	280	10	24	34	7	13	16
	300	2	16	24	22	25	27
	330	½	9	—	49	51	—
Com Union (*277)	280	8	21	29	11	15	18
	300	1¾	13	18	25	28	30
	330	1	6	12	54	54	55
Cable & Wire (*309)	275	40	—	—	½	—	—
	280	—	50	63	—	10	15
	300	17	32	46	5½	17	23
	325	4	16	30	22	38	35
Distillers (*698)	600	113	—	—	1	—	—
	650	63	—	—	7	—	—
	700	17	—	—	10	—	—
GEC (*170)	160	15	22	28	4	8	12
	180	3½	11	18	13	15	20
	200	1½	4	9	30	32	38
Grand Met (*443)	360	—	98	105	—	1	4
	382	62	—	—	½	—	—
	390	—	70	77	—	6	8
	420	25	47	57	3	15	18
ICI (*1107)	950	165	190	202	2	7	11
	1000	115	144	157	2	12	20
	1050	65	104	117	6	22	32
	1100	25	64	85	18	37	52
Land Sec (*307)	300	11	23	31	5	10	13
	330	2	10	17	25	27	28
	360	1	4	10	55	55	55
Marks & Spen (*195)	180	16	24	32	1½	5	6
	200	5	15	21	11	14	17
	220	1	6	12	28	29	32
Shell Trans (*913)	800	120	140	155	1½	9	13
	850	70	107	123	4	15	27
	900	28	70	88	12	32	43
Trafalgar House (*275)	260	19	29	37	4	10	15
	280	6	17	24	9	20	24
	300	2	8	15	26	33	38

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Beecham (*416)	360	65	73	—	4	8	—
	390	40	53	67	9	18	23
	420	25	40	47	25	33	38
	460	10	22	—	52	57	—
Boots (*235)	200	38	53	56	1½	4	7
	220	24	36	42	5	9	12
	240	13½	23	30	14	16	22
BTR (*298)	280	30	40	47	9	12	17
	300	—	28	37	—	22	37
	333	5	—	—	38	—	—
Bass (*695)	650	73	85	100	10	17	22
	700	38	53	65	23	37	45
	750	17	30	38	60	68	77
Blue Circle (*556)	550	33	47	62	20	27	32
	600	13	28	35	50	52	55
	650	5	12	—	98	98	—
De Beers (*720)	650	100	125	—	13	25	—
	700	73	100	110	34	45	65
	750	48	70	85	60	80	95
	800	28	50	—	95	110	—
Dixons (*336)	300	50	60	—	3	4	—
	330	26	36	45	11	14	18
	360	14	20	36	26	32	38
GKN (*254)	240	27	39	48	6	12	15
	260	18	28	35	16	20	25
	280	9	18	26	28	31	36
	300	3	10	—	47	47	—
Glaxo (*953)	900	92	133	163	24	42	55
	950	65	105	135	45	62	75
	1000	42	80	110	75	90	100
	1050	25	55	—	110	120	—
Hanson (*189)	150	33	39	—	1½	4	—
	180	18½	24	30	5½	9	13
	200	8½	14½	18	17	19	21
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

	Series	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Dec	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Jaguar (*541)	500	63	82	98	15	20	27
	550	33	50	68	27	40	47
	600	12	27	—	62	70	—
Thorn EMI (*467)	420	62	75	87	3	14	14
	460	35	52	65	17	22	27
	500	15	28	40	40	42	45
	550	5	12	—	87	98	—
Tesco (*393)	330	77	—	—	1	—	—
	360	48	60	—	4	8	—
	390	28	40	54	13	20	25
	420	15	25	33	28	30	38

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Brit Aero (*475)	420	65	83	95	3	10	15
	460	35	53	67	13	20	25
	500	12	32	45	35	40	45
BAT Inds (*453)	360	100	113	—	½	1½	—
	390	70	85	93	1½	5	8
	420	45	58	65	6	12	15
	460	18	31	43	20	27	32
Barclays (*464)	460	27	50	62	12	18	23
	500	12	27	40	40	42	47
	550	3	10	17	90	90	92
Brit Telecom (*182)	180	10	20	25	7	13	16
	200	3	8	16	22	26	28
	220	1	3½	11	40	40	40
Cadbury Schwpps (*179)	160	23	30	34	2	6	9
	180	9	16	20	9	11	14
	200	3	9	—	23	24	—
Guinness (*318)	300	28	38	48	6	13	15
	330	10	18	27	18	25	28
	360	4	7	12	45	47	50
Imperial Gr (*378)	300	80	—	—	1	—	—
	330	50	—	—	1½	—	—
	360	25	—	—	8	—	—
Ladbroke (*351)	330	27	40	47	3	10	13
	360	11	18	27	18	25	32
	390	3	10	14	45	50	55
LASMO (*125)	110	23	30	37	4	10	12
	120	14	23	30	8	14	18
	130	6	12	20	15	20	23
Midland Bank (*539)	500	52	70	80	7	11	15
	550	23	40	52	25	30	35
	600	6	17	27	65	65	67
P & O (*505)	460	53	70	—	3	7	—
	500	24	45	58	18	23	28
	550	4	18	30	48	52	58
	600	1½	—	—	98	—	—
Racal (*150)	160	7½	16	21	15	20	20
	180	3	8	12	32	32	34
	200	1½	3	7	52	52	52
RTZ (*689)	550	145	152	—	2	7	—
	600	95	112	117	5	10	24
	650	52	75	95	11	25	42
	700	28	48	—	30	47	—
Vaal Reefs (*86)	70	18	21	27	2	5	6½
	80	10½	15½	19½	5½	9½	11
	90	5½	10½	13	10	14½	16

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Mar	Calls Jun	Puts Nov	Puts Mar	Puts Jun
Lonrho (*217)	200	26	35	37	3	8	11
	216	14	—	—	9	—	—
	235	5	—	—	21	—	—
	240	—	12	16	—	30	36
	255	2	—	—	38	—	—

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Tr 11¾% 1991 (*£102)	100	2⅝	2¾	3½	¼	1 7/16	1 9/16
	102	1 9/16	1 7/16	2¼	1⅜	2⅜	2 9/16
	104	11/16	1¼	1 7/16	3	3⅝	3 13/16
Tr 11¾% 03/07 (*£109)	106	4	5⅜	6 5/16	1 5/16	1 7/16	3 5/16
	108	3	4 7/16	5 9/16	2	3⅛	4
	110	2	3½	4¾	3⅜	3 9/16	5⅜
	112	1⅜	2⅜	3 3/16	4⅞	5 13/16	6 9/16
	114	15/16	1 11/16	2	6½	7¼	7⅞
	116	9/16	1⅜	2¼	7⅝	8¾	9⅜

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Nov	Calls Dec	Calls Jan	Puts Oct	Puts Nov	Puts Dec	Puts Jan
FT-SE Index (*1594)	1525	75	90	—	—	5	10	—	—
	1550	57	73	93	113	12	17	25	35
	1575	42	57	75	95	18	25	32	50
	1600	27	43	63	—	27	36	43	—
	1625	18	32	52	—	45	50	55	—
	1650	9	22	40	—	63	68	73	—
	1675	4	18	32	—	85	88	92	—
	1700	3	11	23	—	110	113	115	—

October 7, 1986. Total contracts 27701. Calls 21727. Puts 5977. *Underlying security price.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range October 7	Market rates close October 7	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4335-1.4390	1.4345-1.4355	0.56-0.54prem	1.73-1.70prem
Montreal	1.9880-1.9950	1.9885-1.9906	0.42-0.39prem	1.28-1.08prem
Ams'dam	3.2275-3.2751	3.2444-3.2466	1⅛-1⅛prem	4⅜-4⅜prem
Brussels	59.20-60.15	59.58-59.70	18-13prem	58-44prem
C'phgen	10.7560-10.9136	10.8145-10.8292	⅛prem-⅛dis	1⅜-⅜prem
Dublin	1.0443-1.0627	1.0560-1.0570	7-14dis	34-62dis
Frankfurt	2.8538-2.8990	2.8709-2.8743	1½-1⅛prem	4½-4⅛prem
Lisbon	207.50-209.95	208.36-209.94	55-130dis	200-370dis
Madrid	189.10-191.75	190.08-190.35	15-60dis	45-110dis
Milan	1973.70-2006.60	1984.35-1991.94	par-4dis	1-5dis
Oslo	10.4890-10.5970	10.5321-10.5466	4⅛-5dis	10⅛-12dis
Paris	9.3480-9.4855	9.4103-9.4269	⅛prem-⅛ dis	3½-2⅛prem
St'khlm	9.8190-9.9059	9.8392-9.8533	1⅛-1⅛prem	5⅛-4⅛prem
Tokyo	220.44-222.20	220.91-221.28	1⅛-1prem	3⅛-3⅛prem
Vienna	20.05-20.40	20.20-20.24	8⅛-7⅛prem	24⅛-21⅛prem
Zurich	2.3241-2.3640	2.3361-2.3399	1⅛-1⅛prem	4-3⅛prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 68.1 (day's range 67.8-68.3).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.5437-1.5499
Australia dollar	2.2607-2.2648
Bahrain dinar	0.5400-0.5440
Brazil cruzado*	19.77-19.89
Cyprus pound	0.7260-0.7360
Finland marka	6.9965-7.0385
Greece drachma	190.55-192.55
Hong Kong dollar	11.1998-11.2084
India rupee	18.20-18.40
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4170-0.4270
Malaysia dollar	3.7651-3.7707
Mexico peso	1100-1150
New Zealand dollar	2.8379-2.8512
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.3710-5.4110
Singapore dollar	3.1132-3.1169
South Africa rand	3.1858-3.2023
U A E dirham	5.2595-5.2995
*Lloyds Bank	

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3525-1.3565
Singapore	2.1680-2.1690
Malaysia	2.6220-2.6240
Australia	0.6345-0.6352
Canada	1.3868-1.3873
Sweden	6.8700-6.8750
Norway	7.3425-7.3475
Denmark	7.5500-7.5550
West Germany	2.0040-2.0050
Switzerland	1.6325-1.6335
Netherlands	2.2650-2.2660
France	6.5630-6.5680
Japan	154.02-154.12
Italy	1386.0-1387.0
Belgium(Comm)	41.53-41.58
Hong Kong	7.7960-7.7965
Portugal	145.95-146.25
Spain	132.55-132.65
Austria	14.08-14.10

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10 Low 9
Week fixed: 9½

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 mnth	10⅛	2 mnth	10⅜
3 mnth	10⅜	3 mnth	10⅜

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10-9 13/16 | 2 mnth 10⅛-9⅞
3 mnth 10⅛-10⅛ | 6 mnth 10⅛-10⅛

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⅜ | 2 mnth 10⅜
3 mnth 10⅜ | 6 mnth 10⅜

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 8½ close 11
1 week 10-9⅞ | 6 mnth 10⅛-10 13/16
1 mnth 10 5/16-10⅛ | 9 mnth 10⅛-10⅛
3 mnth 10⅛-10 11/16 | 12 mth 10⅛-10⅛

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 9 | 7 days 9
1 mnth 10 | 3 mnth 10⅜
6 mnth 10⅜ | 12 mth 10⅜

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 11-10⅜ | 2 mnth 11-10⅜
3 mnth 11-10⅜ | 6 mnth 11-10⅜
9 mnth 11-10⅜ | 12 mth 11-10⅜

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 10 9/16-10 3/16 | 3 mnth 10⅜-10⅜
6 mnth 10 11/16-10 3/16 | 12 mth 10⅜-10⅜

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 5.85-5.80 | 3 mnth 5.70-5.65
6 mnth 5.70-5.65 | 12 mth 5.85-5.80

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar
7 days 5 11/16-5⅝ | call 6⅛-5⅞
3 mnth 5⅝-5⅝ | 1 mnth 5⅝-5⅝
| 6 mnth 5⅝-5⅝

Deutschmark
| call 5-4
7 days 4⅝-4½ | 1 mnth 4⅝-4½
3 mnth 4 9/16-4 7/16 | 6 mnth 4⅝-4½

French Franc
| call 8-7
7 days 9⅛-9 | 1 mnth 9⅛-9
3 mnth 9-8⅞ | 6 mnth 8⅞-8⅝

Swiss Franc
| call 2⅛-1⅞
7 days 1⅞-1⅝ | 1 mnth 3⅛-3⅛
3 mnth 4-3⅞ | 6 mnth 4 1/16-3 15/16

Yen
| call 5⅛-4⅞
7 days 4⅞-4⅝ | 1 mnth 4 15/16-4 13/16
3 mnth 5-4⅞ | 6 mnth 4⅞-4⅞

GOLD

Gold:$437.00-438.00
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$ 435.00-438.00 (£302.75-304.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$ 103.50-104.50 (£72.00-72.75)
Platinum
$ 595.50 (£415.00).
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period September 3, 1986 to October 7, 1986 inclusive: 10.355 per cent.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Three Month Sterling	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Dec 86	89.02	89.51	89.02	89.28	6086
Mar 87	89.39	89.60	89.39	89.48	567
Jun 87	89.58	89.73	89.58	89.67	202
Sep 87	89.38	89.50	89.38	89.49	16
Dec 87	89.10	89.10	89.10	89.18	13
Mar 88	88.95	88.95	88.95	89.03	3
Previous day's total open interest 12189					
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous day's total open interest 22917			
Dec 86	94.22	94.26	94.20	94.22	3948
Mar 87	94.11	94.17	94.11	94.12	279
Jun 87	93.89	93.95	93.89	93.90	112
Sep 87	93.57	93.62	93.57	93.57	56
US Treasury Bond		Previous day's total open interest 6943			
Dec 86	96-28	97-04	95-11	95-15	3468
Mar 87	N/T	—	—	95-18	0
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	94-18	0
—	—	—	—	—	—
Short Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 1382			
Dec 86	95-42	96-05	95-42	95-54	232
Mar 87	N/T	—	—	95-54	0
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	—	0
—	—	—	—	—	—
Long Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 13736			
Dec 86	110-17	111-24	110-08	110-25	13600
Mar 87	110-25	111-01	110-21	110-23	25
Jun 87	N/T	—	—	110-23	0
Sep 87	N/T	—	—	—	0
FT-SE 100		Previous day's total open interest 2580			
Dec 86	161.90	163.80	161.60	162.05	406
Mar 87	165.00	165.50	165.00	165.05	9

Tin council criticized by Governor

By Lawrence Lever

The Governor of the Bank of England, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, last night criticised the 22 member governments of the International Tin Council for failing to honour the ITC's debts after its £900 million collapse last October.

Mr Leigh Pemberton's criticism, in a speech at the annual dinner of the London Metal Exchange, is his first in public.

He said: "It must surely be considered extremely regrettable that the International Tin Council, an organization which was after all a creature of governments, should default on its obligations."

But he praised moves by the British Government to persuade other member governments to participate in a financial settlement of the ITC's debts. Britain, whose share of the ITC's debts is limited to 4 per cent, failed to achieve the settlement. Mr Leigh-Pemberton said: "As long ago as 1943, the International Labour Office identified intergovernmental commodity regulation as a potentially important tool of trade policy. More significantly, in 1974 the United Nations General Assembly bought international commodity agreements to the centre stage of international trade policy. The (sixth International Tin) Agreement must thus be seen as an instrument which had been sanctioned at the highest international level".

Mr Michael Arnold, the former receiver of the NUM who represents Tinco Realisations, a group of 11 tin brokers with losses of between £160 and £400 million, said yesterday that the governor's remarks were "interesting but they don't take us any further.".

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	10.75%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

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Gilt & Fixed	105.6	112.7●	+0.7	10.65
High Inc Equity	91.9	97.6●	+0.3	5.07
Worldwide Bond	201.8	215.8	+0.4	4.48
American Growth	152.0	161.7	-0.7	1.65
Asian Pacific	52.4	58.0	-0.4	2.43
Assets & Earns	102.2	109.3	+0.8	2.24
Capital Reserve	64.4	64.8	..	1.56
Comm & Energy	89.7	86.4●	+0.5	2.12
European Capital	100.8	107.0	+0.6	1.19
General	132.0	141.1	+1.2	3.01
Japan	78.3	83.8●	+0.9	..
UK Growth Inc	97.0	104.3●	+0.3	1.03
Do Accum	140.4	150.9●	+0.5	0.71
US Emerging Co's	82.7	88.3	+0.2	0.99
Equitas Progress	192.6	205.1	+1.2	3.59
MastersLAcc	65.4	69.6	+0.2	2.66
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 610366 & 0793 28291				
First Trust	215.1	229.1●	+1.5	3.69
Growth & Income	129.0	137.3●	+1.0	3.30
Capital Trust	220.2	234.5●	+1.7	2.69
Balanced	346.4	368.9	+2.4	3.30
Accum Trust	538.5	571.3c	+4.2	3.10
American Income	32.3	34.4	..	4.27
High Income Tst	240.9	256.5●	+0.8	5.06
Equity Income	136.2	145.1	+0.4	5.21
High Yield	142.4	151.7	+0.6	5.40
Govt Secs Trust	27.1	28.2●	+0.1	10.21
International	88.4	94.1	+0.2	0.86
Japan Fund	120.4	128.2	+0.7	0.01
Pacific Trust	191.4	203.8	+0.2	0.88
Amer Spcl Sits	64.0	68.2●	-0.1	1.44
Secs Of Amer Tst	202.6	215.8	+0.4	0.97
Aid Asset Value	219.8	234.1	+0.8	3.32
Gilt Growth	35.8	37.3●	+0.1	3.03
Smaller Co's	117.7	125.4	+0.3	2.74
2nd Smaller Co's	151.4	161.2●	+0.4	2.49
Recovery Trust	79.5	84.7c	+0.4	2.21
ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES				
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY 01-628 9876 01-280 8540/1/2/3				
Capital Growth Inc	56.3	60.2	-0.1	1.72
Do Accum	62.9	67.2	+0.4	1.72
Eastern & Intl	140.1	149.8●	+0.4	0.81
Do 6% Withdrawal	73.0	78.0●	+0.2	0.81
Finance & Property	65.8	71.4●	+0.2	3.98
Gilt & Fixed Income	45.9	48.3	+0.1	8.42
Do Accum	79.7	83.8	+0.2	8.42
Equity Income	72.6	77.5	-0.4	4.95
Do Accum	172.0	183.9	-1.1	4.95
High Yield Income	73.1	78.1●	-0.5	7.03
Do Accum	195.0	208.5●	-1.2	7.03
Intl Income	81.5	87.1	+0.4	2.08
Do Accum	83.7	89.5	+0.8	2.08
Do 5% Wdrawl	75.6	80.8	+0.4	2.08
Managed Fund	64.8	68.3	-0.3	
Preference Income	28.6	30.5●	..	10.17
Do Accum	93.5	99.9●	-0.1	10.17
Smaller Co's Accum	66.6	71.2s	-0.1	1.56
World Penny Share	9.2	9.8	..	0.73
Portfolio Tst UK	73.1	75.7	-0.7	1.60
Portfolio Tst Japan	99.2	102.8	-0.5	0.00
Portfolio Tst US	70.3	72.8	-0.1	1.07
Portfolio Tst Europe	122.9	127.4	-0.9	0.00
Portfolio Tst HK	47.2	48.9	+0.1	0.10
BAILLIE GIFFORD				
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY 031-225 2581 (Dealers:031-226 6066)				
Intl Ex (22)	454.8	475.8		0.68
Japan Ex (43)	431.4	449.8		0.20
UK Ex (31)	238.5	253.8		1.32
P'sal Pens Intl	501.8	528.3		
P'sal Pens UK	217.2	228.6		
BG America	165.0	175.8●	-0.2	0.00
BG Energy	149.3	159.7	-0.8	1.26
BG Income Grwth	189.8	202.0●		5.37
BG Japan	190.1	202.3●	+1.9	0.00
BG Technology	143.5	152.7		0.84
BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS				
25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD 01-491 0295				
American	45.1	48.3	-0.1	0.72
Australian	19.3	20.7●	+0.3	2.56
Japan & General	110.8	118.5	+1.0	0.08
High Income	42.2	45.2	+0.1	8.27
International Trust	80.8	86.5	+0.6	1.56
Income Gth Tst	44.6	47.7	+0.3	3.83
Gilts & Fixed Int	19.9	21.3●	-0.2	9.18
Global Markets	33.9	36.3	+0.4	2.00
Special Situations	37.9	40.6●	+0.3	1.49
BARCLAYS UNICORN				
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7 01-534 5544				
America	83.7	89.0	-0.3	1.44
Aust Accum	162.6	172.9	+1.1	1.08
Do Income	115.2	122.5	+0.9	1.08
Capital	65.9	70.1	+0.4	3.20
Exempt Trust	410.3	436.4	+1.6	4.26
Extra Income	71.4	75.9●	+0.1	5.66
Financial	222.4	236.5	+1.0	3.17
500	257.0	273.3●	+0.8	3.20
General	132.8	141.2●	+0.6	3.36
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.59	53.10●	+0.35	10.32
Japan & Gen Inc	167.9	178.6	+1.1	0.03
Do Acc	169.8	180.7	+1.1	0.03
Growth Accum	174.5	185.9	+0.9	2.48
Income Trust	323.7	344.3	+0.4	3.94
Leisure Trust	77.5	82.4	+0.1	1.61
Special Situations	137.6	146.3●	+0.4	2.37
Recovery	186.7	198.6	+1.2	2.71
Trustee Fund	102.9	109.4	+0.7	3.06
Univ Tech Accum	51.2	54.4	+0.2	0.27
Do Income	50.7	53.9	+0.2	0.27
Worldwide Trust	148.2	157.6		0.96
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc	313.8	333.8	+2.2	3.60
Do Inc	203.3	216.2	+1.5	3.60
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 01-658 9002				
Australia	77.2	82.5	+6.0	0.30
Eastern	66.3	70.0●	+0.5	0.30
Equity Income	56.0	60.2	+0.2	5.70
Europe	134.4	142.9	-0.2	0.90
Growth & Inc	60.5	65.0●	+0.5	2.30
Japan Special	108.4	115.4	-0.7	0.30
Japan Sunrise	88.9	94.6●	+0.9	0.30
First Europe	117.5	124.9	-0.3	0.80
First Japan	85.0	90.5●	+0.9	0.30
First N Amer	49.0	52.3	-0.3	1.60
First Smaller Co's	63.3	68.0c	+0.7	2.70
BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT				
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Planned Inv	128.4	136.7●		4.11
European Inc	96.5	103.2		1.48
Do Accum	121.3	128.9		1.48
General Inc	152.1	161.7		3.12
Do Accum	207.4	220.5		3.12
Gilt Yield Inc	103.8	107.0●		10.10
Do Accum	170.9	176.1●		10.10
High Yield Inc	85.7	91.2●		5.54
Do Accum	172.9	184.0●		5.54
Japan Income	237.2	249.6		0.32
Do Accum	236.9	251.3		0.32
N American Inc	47.1	50.0		0.60
Do Accum	54.6	58.0		0.60
Pacific Income	133.1	139.9c		0.32
Do Accum	150.1	157.6c		0.32
Smlr Co's Inc	78.7	83.8		1.80
Do Accum	93.2	99.2		1.80
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	122.6	131.1●	+0.9	2.86
Smaller Co's Acc	224.9	241.8●	-0.7	
Do Income	143.8	154.4●	-0.5	1.00
High Income	63.1	67.9●	+0.3	5.92
Income	71.8	77.2●	+0.1	4.89
Man Portfolio Inc	56.8	60.7	+0.3	3.34
Do Acc	65.9	70.5	+0.6	
North American	56.5	60.8	+0.2	1.41
Orient	81.0	86.6	+0.1	0.24
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT 01-588 2868				
Fellowship Inc	48.5	52.9●	-0.6	3.00
General Inc (4)	208.7	219.2		3.20
Do Accum (4)	333.6	350.3		3.20
Income Fund (3)	98.8	104.8c		4.79
Do Accum (3)	174.3	183.6		4.79
Intl Inc (2)	126.0	132.1●		0.75
Do Accum (2)	167.6	175.7		0.75
Smaller Inc (5)	£11.65	12.27		2.86
Do Accum (5)	£12.30	13.06		2.86
CS FUND MANAGERS				
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY 01-242 1148				
CS Japan Fund	85.8	91.3	+0.1	0.24
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1, Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB 01-902 8876				
Growth	271.8	289.1	-1.6	3.09
Income	318.4	338.6	-1.8	3.89
Far East	222.7	236.9	-0.5	0.26
North American	143.3	152.5	-0.9	0.80
Global	48.6	51.7●	-0.2	0.88
European	53.5	56.9●	-1.2	1.32
Japan	58.1	61.8●	-0.2	0.50
CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT				
PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ 01-621 0011				
Capital	358.0	382.9●		1.85
Income	265.0	283.5●		5.36
North American	276.1	295.3		0.97
CATER ALLEN				
1, King William St, EC4N 7AU 01-623 6314				
Gilt Trust	93.0	100.0	-0.1	11.97
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Inv Fund	400.9	●		4.54
Fixed Int	133.3			10.73
Deposit	100.0			9.70
CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MANAGERS				
72/73 Basinghall Street, London EC2V 5DP 01-606 6622				
S & C Special Sits	54.3	57.9		0.66
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 01-588 1815				
Income	367.32	●		5.17
Accum	£10,712			
Deposit	100.0			9.50
CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373393				
Amer Growth	22.8	24.3		1.90
Equity High Income	41.7	44.4●	+0.2	4.70
European Growth	30.4	32.4●	+0.3	2.00
General Equity	37.6	40.0	+0.1	2.70
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	27.5	29.0	+0.2	3.50
Gilt & Fixed Inc	22.8	24.0●	+0.2	9.50
Index Securities	24.5	25.8		2.40
Japan Growth	33.8	36.0	+0.4	0.90
Pedigree Gth	23.3	24.8	+0.1	2.60
COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD				
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU 01-726 1999				
Energy Trust	48.1	51.1	+0.2	3.97
Extra Income	158.7	168.8●	+0.6	5.57
Financial	165.5	176.0	+0.9	2.27
Gilt Strategy	55.0	58.7		2.16
Growth Investment	274.5	292.0	+2.5	2.36
Income & Growth	39.4	41.9	+0.2	4.69
Japanese Growth	196.5	209.0●	+0.9	0.59
Nth Amer Growth	100.2	106.5	-0.1	1.57
Intl Recovery	115.4	122.7	+0.5	1.64
Smaller Co's	208.2	221.4	+0.8	2.51
Global Inc Tst	60.5	64.3●	+0.1	5.40
Special Sits Acc	261.5	289.4	+2.5	1.41
CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES				
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 04862 5033				
High Income Trust	227.0	242.8●		5.36
Growth Trust	210.9	225.8		3.19
American Trust	122.4	130.9		0.76
CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL 07372 42424				
UK Income	47.1	50.4	+0.4	4.47
UK Growth Accum	46.6	49.8	+0.4	2.43
Do Dist	46.6	49.8	+0.4	2.43
European Growth	57.9	61.8	+0.3	1.83
Pacific Growth	56.9	60.6	-0.1	
EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh 031-226 3492				
American Fund	70.8	75.7	-0.1	2.25
Capital Fund	92.9	99.3	+0.4	1.71
Growth & Inc Fund	121.9	130.4	+0.6	4.50
High Dist Fund	105.8	113.1	+0.3	5.97
International Fund	198.3	212.1	+0.6	1.06
Resources Fund	24.3	26.0		0.38
Smllr Jap Co's Fnd	34.5	36.9	+0.5	
Tokyo Fund	173.3	185.4●	+3.2	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	138.9	143.4●		3.84
(Ex) Japan (3)	115.0	118.7		0.17
(Ex) Pacific (4)	298.8	306.2●		0.32
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	203.6	210.2c		0.10
Eurofund	28.8	30.8	+0.1	3.25
EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ 0242 521311				
UK Balanced Inc	68.0	72.5	+0.3	2.79
Do Accum	69.0	73.6	+0.3	2.72
UK Growth Accum	84.8	90.4	+1.0	1.66
UK High Inc Inc	64.8	68.9		5.55
N American Accum	65.3	68.6	-0.1	1.32
Far Eastern Accum	105.6	112.6	+0.2	0.00
European Accum	89.5	95.5	+1.6	1.12
UK Gilt & Fl Inc	51.2	54.6	+0.1	8.77
Do Accum	52.8	56.3	+0.3	8.50
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB 0708-66966				
Endurance	105.5	112.9●		3.17
EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION				
35, Fountain St, Manchester 061-236 5685				
Equitable Pelican	71.5	76.2●	+0.8	3.31
High Income Trust	75.0	79.8	+0.1	5.08
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.1	52.3	+0.3	9.07
Tst Of Inv Trusts	61.1	65.0	-0.1	1.93
Special Sits Trust	71.0	75.6●	+0.5	2.61
Nth Amer Trust	55.8	59.4●	-0.1	1.79
Far Eastern Trust	86.9	92.5	-0.4	0.62
Intl Growth	51.8	55.2	-0.1	1.08
EQUITY & LAW				
St George Hse Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1QD 0203 553231				
UK Growth Accum	145.5	154.7c	+1.2	3.82
Do Income	126.3	134.3c	+1.0	3.82
Higher Inc Accum	242.0	257.0c	+1.0	4.93
Do Income	194.6	207.2c	+1.0	4.93
Gilt/Fixed Accum	94.0	99.8	+0.5	9.21
Do Income	77.9	81.9	+0.5	9.21
Nth Amer Tst Accum	128.9	137.0c	-0.2	0.22
Far East Tst Accum	165.2	175.7c	-2.3	0.36
Euro Tst Accum	169.4	180.2●	+0.6	1.14
General Trust	231.1	245.8●	+1.6	3.67
F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT				
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA 01-623 4680				
US Smaller Co's	69.9	74.8●	+0.2	0.27
Capital Fund	105.8	113.2●	-0.6	0.36
Income Fund	74.9	80.2●		4.94
Far Eastern Fund	71.0	76.0●	+0.3	0.30
Overseas Income	72.3	77.4		3.53
Fixed Interest	57.1	61.1	+0.8	9.00
Natural Res Fund	49.7	52.1	+0.1	3.32
European Income	84.9	90.8	+0.3	2.76
Financials Fund				
FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041-332 3132				
Balanced Gth Inc	43.2	46.0●	+0.2	1.80
Do Accum	44.2	47.0●	+0.3	
Income Gth Inc	39.4	41.9	-0.1	5.00
Do Accum	41.3	43.9	-0.1	
Service Co's Inc	48.6	51.7	-0.6	1.00
Do Accum	49.2	52.3	-0.4	
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
River Walk, Tonbridge TN9 1DY 0732 361144				
American	99.3	106.8	-0.3	0.86
Amer Equity Income	33.0	35.5	-0.2	4.54
Amer Special Sits	50.7	54.3	-0.3	1.41
Australia	27.8	29.8c	-0.3	0.86
European	43.6	46.6	-0.1	0.00
Far East Inc	36.7	39.1	-0.2	3.91
Gilt & Fixed Int	28.5	29.7●		9.89
Growth & Income	92.1	99.1	-0.8	4.85
Japan Special Sits	41.8	44.8	+0.4	
Japan	142.9	153.7	+0.2	
Managed Int	141.9	152.6	-0.7	0.01
Max Income Equity	78.4	84.6●	-0.3	5.32
Professional Gth	31.8	34.2●	-0.3	2.48
South East Asia	36.9	39.3●	-0.1	0.32
Special Sits	159.6	171.5●	-1.5	0.63
FLEMING (ROBERT)				
8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN 01-638 5858				
American Exempt	£339.1	345.1●		1.97
Japan Exempt	£456.3	472.9		0.83
Am Property Tst	$10000.0			5.00
Property Trust	£2033.0	●		5.80
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ 01-628 5181				
Amer & Gen Inc	209.6	222.8●	-1.1	
Do Accum	214.2	227.8●	-1.0	
Amer Turnarnd Inc	205.6	218.4	-0.2	1.26
Do Accum	211.2	224.6		1.26
Capital Tst Inc	200.8	213.6●	+0.7	2.01
Do Accum	244.6	260.2●	+0.9	2.01
Conv & Gilt Inc	84.6	90.0	+0.1	5.46
Do Accum	112.6	119.8		5.46
Extra Inc Tst Inc	159.4	169.4	+0.2	4.82
Do Accum	172.8	183.8	+0.5	4.82
Income Trust	112.4	119.4	+0.4	4.42
Do Accum	118.2	125.6	+0.4	4.42
Intl Growth Fd Inc	155.8	165.6c		
Do Accum	173.2	184.2c		
Japan & Gen Inc	87.4	92.8	-0.5	0.07
Do Accum	88.2	93.8	-0.6	0.07
Monthly Income Fd	80.0	85.0●		5.07
Recovery	136.0	144.6		1.57
Do Accum	148.0	157.4	+0.2	1.57
European Inc	65.4	69.4	+0.6	0.81
Do Accum	65.4	69.4	+0.6	0.81
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey 0306 885055				
FP Equity Dist	192.8	204.6	+2.2	2.87
Do Accum	321.3	341.0	+3.5	2.87
FP Fixed Int Dist	107.0	113.6	+0.4	6.31
Do Accum	121.9	129.6	+0.5	6.31
Stewardship Dist	167.9	178.2	+1.7	1.76
Do Accum	173.4	184.0	+1.8	1.76
FUNDS IN COURT				
Public Trustee Kingsway WC2 01-405 4300				
Capital	348.4	360.2●		2.76
Gross Inc	145.1	149.9		7.74
High Yield	212.4	222.0●		8.01
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431				
UK Cap Fnd Inc	96.2	102.9	+1.2	3.00
Do Accum	138.5	148.2	+1.8	3.00
Income Fund	75.7	81.0●	+0.1	6.40
Pension Exempt	174.6	182.9	+2.2	1.80
International	167.2	178.9	+0.8	0.90
US & General	53.7	57.5	+0.6	1.00
Tech & Growth	57.8	61.9	+0.3	1.30
Japan & General	246.9	264.1	+2.2	0.10
Far East & Gen	123.4	132.0	-0.9	0.40
European Fund	271.8	290.8	+2.3	0.30
Germany Fund	76.0	81.3●	+0.8	0.80
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP 01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806				
American Trust	82.2	88.4	-0.3	0.30
Australian Trust	24.0	25.9	+0.2	0.26
British Tst Accum	58.5	63.0	+0.6	1.92
Do Dist	50.7	54.6	+0.5	1.92
Commodity Share	66.9	72.0	-0.1	1.17
European Trust	58.3	59.5	+0.2	0.29
Extra Income Trust	47.7	51.3		5.20
Far Eastern Trust	158.2	170.2●	-1.8	0.09
Fixed Interest Fund	25.7	27.7●		10.35
Gilt Trust	24.4	25.5●	+0.2	9.07
Global Fund Accum	178.5	192.0	-1.0	0.19
Do Dist	170.0	182.9	-1.0	0.19
Gold Share Trust	16.6	17.9	+0.2	1.48
Hedged American	27.6	31.7		0.10
High Income Trust	138.4	148.9		5.82
Hong Kong Trust	31.9	34.4	-0.7	0.96
Income Fund	72.9	78.4	+0.2	3.29
Insurance Agencies	£45.99	49.25	+0.04	2.14
Japan Trust	150.0	161.2	+0.1	0.00
Managed Exempt	256.9	267.7●	+1.3	2.44
Oil & Energy Trust	34.5	37.1		1.68
Special Sits Trust	89.1	95.9●	+0.4	0.90
UK Smlr C's Rec Tst	71.3	76.7●	+0.4	0.86
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Winchester Hse, 77 London Wall, London EC2N 1DA 01-588 5620				
Intl Growth	79.9	85.4	+0.3	1.24
American Growth	61.2	65.5	+0.3	0.85
American Inc	68.8	73.6●	+0.9	4.43
European Growth	238.8	256.3●	+1.4	0.23
Gold & Minerals	46.0	49.1		0.71
Japan Growth	148.5	159.6	+4.1	
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN 01-588 5903				
Gilt & Fixed Int	109.8	114.1	+0.6	9.81
Growth Equity	191.9	209.2	+2.3	2.13
Guardhill	259.1	276.8	+0.3	2.97
N American	137.3	146.1c	-0.1	1.48
Pacific	243.2	258.8c	+3.3	0.12
Property Share	258.7	276.3	+0.4	1.44
Smaller Companies	208.6	223.0c	+1.8	1.74
European Trust	260.9	277.8	+4.4	1.02
GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ 01-623 9333				
High Income	49.9	53.6c	-0.1	6.77
N Amer Trust	101.6	108.3●		0.86
Recovery	198.5	211.2c	+0.3	2.48
Gilt Trust	36.7	39.1●	+0.2	9.58
St Vincent Inc	82.7	88.3	+0.1	5.56
St Vincent US Gth	72.2	76.3	-0.3	0.76
Temple Bar Sm Co's	171.5	180.9		3.52
Temple Bar USM	391.0	389.8●		3.29
Euro Gth Tst				
HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex 0277 217916				
Hambros Smlr Co's	128.6	136.8	+0.4	1.89
Hambros N Amer	62.7	66.7	-0.5	0.98
Hambros Jap & F E	127.2	135.3c	-0.7	0.44
Hambros Scandvn	83.5	88.8●	-0.1	0.87
Hambros European	104.6	111.3	+0.5	0.83
Hambros Canadian	48.6	51.7	-0.5	1.55
Hambros Equity Inc	81.7	86.9		4.89
Hambros High Inc	57.0	60.6●		5.76
Hambros Res Assts	57.7	61.4	+0.1	2.07
Hambros Intl Sits	51.9	55.2	-0.1	0.91
HENDERSON				
Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex 0277-217238				
Amer Recovery Tst	102.2	109.4	+0.2	0.90
Amer Smaller Co's	47.5	50.8c		0.01
Australian	75.1	80.4●	+1.5	1.32
Capital Growth Inc	53.3	57.0●	+0.4	1.63
Do Accum	61.8	65.9●	+0.4	1.63
European	263.9	283.8c	+3.0	1.00
Euro Smaller Cos	104.0	111.8c	+0.7	0.09
Extra Income	155.8	166.7●	+0.2	4.85
Financial Trust	138.8	148.3	+0.8	2.89
Growth Hong Kong	60.4	64.3		5.24
Fixed Interest Tst	50.0	53.0●		10.10
Gilt Trust	40.9	43.4	+0.3	8.31
Global Healthcare	66.7	71.4●	+0.5	0.01
Global Resources	75.0	80.3	+0.8	1.93
Global Tech	109.9	117.6	-0.1	0.01
Global Inc & Gth	60.4	64.3		5.24
Gold	56.3	59.5	+0.8	2.61
High Income Tst	169.8	180.6	+0.5	5.08
Hong Kong	57.6	61.9	-1.4	1.86
Income & Growth Inc	136.2	145.4	+2.3	3.56
Do Accum	268.4	286.5	+4.5	3.56
Income Assets	100.9	108.5●	+1.5	4.20
International	172.9	185.2●	+1.6	0.59
Japan Special Sits	180.2	193.8●	+0.5	0.01
Japan Tst	168.1	180.6	-1.6	0.01
North American	134.6	144.0	-0.1	0.87
Pacific Smaller Co's	71.9	77.7●	-0.8	0.89
Pref & Gilt	44.9	47.8●	-0.2	8.73
Recovery Tst	93.3	99.8●	+0.4	2.65
Singapore & Malay	31.6	33.8	+0.2	2.43
Smaller Co's Div	107.7	115.2	-0.4	5.04
Special Sits Inc	127.1	136.0●	+0.2	1.57
Do Accum	180.0	192.6●	+0.3	1.57
Worldwide	359.5	378.4●		3.07
Euro Exempt	132.3	139.3●	+1.5	1.33
Global Tech Exempt	91.5	96.3	-1.3	0.36
High Income Exempt	118.2	124.4●	+0.5	5.00
Japan Exempt	168.6	177.5●	+2.9	0.77
N Amer Exempt	84.5	89.0	-0.1	1.39
Pacific Exempt	173.9	183.0	-2.0	1.49
Smaller Co's Exempt	116.1	122.2	+0.7	2.15
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 01-686 4355 01-628 8011				
British Trust Units	619.8	652.8	-7.2	3.26
Capital Trust Units	96.0	102.2	+0.2	2.78
Dollar Trust Units	180.6	192.2	+0.1	2.66
European Trust	148.8	155.2	+2.9	0.98
Far East Trust	133.3	141.9	-0.3	0.59
Financial Trust	350.7	373.1●	+1.1	2.81
Gilt Fixed Int Inc	26.9	28.0●	-0.1	10.29
Do Growth	40.6	43.0	+0.3	7.91
High Yield Trust	62.6	66.6	+0.1	5.30
Income Trust	79.5	84.6	+0.1	4.79
International	127.1	135.3	+1.5	1.86
Japan Tech Tst	37.5	39.9	-0.5	0.06
Natural Resources	34.6	36.9●	+1.3	2.04
Security Trust	174.2	185.4●		3.35
Smaller Cos	86.4	92.0●		1.96
Special Sits	87.5	93.1●	+0.3	2.71
IBI FUND MANAGERS				
32, Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB 01-222 1000				
IBI Brit & O'seas	136.3	145.0	+0.6	1.70
IBI Inc Plus	53.3	56.8●	+0.1	10.00
IBI Capital Growth	52.8	56.2●	+0.3	2.00
Investment Tst Fnd	69.4	73.9	-0.2	3.40
KEY FUND MANAGERS				
35, Fountain Street, Manchester 061-236 5685 or 0803-3364				
Equity & Gen	43.4	48.7s	+0.4	2.00
Fixed Int	81.4	86.1●		10.93
Higher Inc	115.0	122.9	-0.4	5.29
Income	47.4	50.6	+0.2	3.90
International	263.6	281.9	-0.6	1.00
KLEINWORT BENSON				
20, Fenchurch St, London EC3 01-623 8000				
Amer Growth Inc	62.2	65.9	+0.1	1.32
Do Accum	63.6	67.4	+0.1	
Fund Inv Tst Inc	20.2	21.6●		2.21
Do Accum	25.9	27.7●		
High Yield Inc	123.9	132.0	-0.4	5.52
Do Accum	205.5	218.8	-0.7	
Intl Recovery Inc	100.9	107.5	+0.2	2.23
Do Accum	106.4	113.3	+0.3	
Japan Growth Inc	104.9	111.2	+0.8	0.36
Do Accum	105.3	111.6	+0.8	
Smaller Co's Inc	155.5	164.8●	-0.1	2.17
Do Accum	203.0	215.2	-0.1	
UK Eq Growth Inc	27.3	28.9●	-0.2	0.81
Do Accum	45.3	48.0		
Worldwide Tech Inc	40.4	43.0●	+0.1	1.34
Do Accum	40.9	43.6●	+0.3	
L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
Piercy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE 01-588 2800				
Income Fund	423.8	432.5		5.22
International & Gen	251.3	258.5		1.05
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
5, Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex 0277 234634				
Equity Distribution	260.7	278.8●	+2.3	2.49
Do Accum	412.1	440.8●	+3.6	2.49
Do Income	59.4	62.5	+0.3	5.22
European	77.0	82.4	+0.2	1.09
Far Eastern	113.5	121.4●	+0.3	0.44
Gilt	71.5	75.7●	-1.6	7.62
O'seas Equity	83.1	89.5	+0.1	0.83
Natural Res	68.9	73.7●	+1.0	1.04
N American Trust	76.6	81.9	-0.3	1.50
UK Special Sits	60.5	64.8	+0.4	1.36
Intl Bond Trust				
Japanese Trust				
Managed Trust				
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing, W Sussex 0444 459144				
Balanced	175.3	187.4	+1.7	3.31
Do Accum	312.1	333.7	+2.9	3.31
Energy Intl	52.8	56.4	-0.2	2.60
Do Accum	59.2	63.3●	-0.2	2.60
Extra Income	153.7	164.3	+0.2	5.33
Do Accum	277.2	298.4	+0.5	5.33
German Gth Inc	74.6	79.9c	+0.5	0.33
Do Accum	74.8	79.9c	+0.5	0.33
Income	260.4	278.5c	+1.0	4.78
Do Accum	512.7	548.3c	+1.9	4.73
Intl Tech	184.4	197.2	+1.0	0.36
Do Accum	192.6	205.9	+0.9	0.36
Japan Growth	83.6	89.4	+0.7	0.02
Do Accum	83.9	89.7	+0.7	0.02
N Amer & Gen	97.3	104.0	-0.2	1.06
Do Accum	105.1	112.4	-0.3	1.06
Pacific Basin	135.4	144.8	+0.9	0.02
Do Accum	141.3	151.1	+0.9	0.02
Smaller Cos & Rec	187.3	200.3	+1.8	2.00
Do Accum	209.7	224.2	+1.8	2.00
Worldwide Growth	208.3	220.8	+1.1	0.87
Do Accum	290.0	310.1	+1.5	0.87
UK Growth Fund	46.5	49.7	+0.4	2.04
LONDON & MANCHESTER				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 52155				
General Trust	42.3	45.3	+0.4	3.70
Income Trust	35.2	37.7●	+0.1	6.40
International Trust	38.0	38.6	+0.1	0.70
American	31.1	33.3		2.00
Japan	45.5	48.7●	+0.2	0.00
Trust of Inv	28.9	31.0●		2.40
M & G SECURITIES				
Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ 01-626 4588				
Amer & Gen Inc	213.6	229.8	+0.1	1.48
Do Accum	249.0	267.7	+0.1	1.48
Amer Recovery	239.9	255.8	-0.1	0.59
Do Accum	263.1	278.8	-0.1	0.59
Am Smaller Co Acc	55.3	59.9	-0.4	0.47
Australia Acc	112.2	120.1	+3.8	0.73
Commodity Acc	224.6	240.2	+2.4	2.73
Compound Growth	398.8	430.7	-1.9	3.17
Conversion Growth	318.0	343.4	-0.7	2.85
Do Inc	183.8	194.9		6.02
Dividend Fund Inc	401.3	426.4	-1.5	5.24
Do Accum	£11.77	12.48	-0.04	5.24
European Acc	277.8	294.5	+2.5	0.77
Extra Yield Inc	217.5	230.9●	-0.7	5.84
Do Accum	477.5	506.3●	-1.5	5.84
Far Eastern Inc	143.6	153.7●	-0.6	1.48
Do Accum	175.7	189.0●	-0.7	1.48
Fund Of Inv Inc	245.2	258.9		2.58
Do Acc	385.4	408.5	-0.1	2.58
General Income	605.1	641.4	-2.8	4.09
Do Accum	£12.82	13.59	-0.05	4.02
Gilt & Fixed Inc	56.5	58.3	+0.3	10.14
Do Accum	87.0	91.4	+0.5	10.14
Gold Income	47.5	50.6	+0.4	2.22
Do Accum	50.7	54.2	+0.4	2.22
High Income Inc	310.2	331.9	-1.0	5.54
Do Accum	840.2	899.0	-2.7	5.54
Intl Growth Inc	765.9	811.9	-3.0	1.54
Do Accum	£12.33	13.07	-0.04	1.54
Intl Inc	61.0	64.7c	-0.2	5.80
Japan Acc	847.6	902.7	+6.2	0.36
Japan Smaller Acc	82.8	88.2	+0.8	0.21
Midland & Gen Inc	550.3	589.3c	-2.8	4.19
Do Accum	£13.85	14.68	-0.05	4.19
Recovery Fund Inc	350.6	378.7	-1.1	3.47
Do Accum	455.1	481.5	-1.4	3.47
Second Gen Inc	704.2	746.5	-1.8	3.85
Do Accum	£13.90	14.73	-0.03	3.85
Smaller Cos Inc	648.1	700.0	-0.1	2.93
Do Accum	£10.32	11.03	-0.00	2.93
Trustee Fund Inc	442.7	473.7	-1.5	4.47
Charibond Inc (3)	109.0			11.68
Charifund Inc (2)	383.6	387.5		5.90
Pension Exempt (1)	459.1	479.8	-2.7	4.61
NAACIF Inc (3)	38.6			8.65
Do Accum (3)	449.4			8.65
MIM BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
74/78, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1JD 01-588 2777 Dealing:01-638 0478/9				
MIM Britannia Unit Trusts				
UK Special Trust				
Growth Gilt	58.0	59.9●	+0.1	0.42
Smaller Co's	134.0	142.9●	+0.4	1.36
UK Market Features	77.0	82.1●	+0.5	1.92
Do Accum	80.5	85.9●	+0.4	1.92
General Funds				
UK Growth	36.4	38.8		2.24
Managed Inv	57.7	61.5	+0.3	2.65
High Income Funds				
Extra Inc	54.3	57.9		7.74
Gilt	24.6	26.0	+0.1	8.19
Inc & Growth	193.0	205.9c	-1.0	4.35
Nat High Inc	183.3	197.7●	-0.5	4.93
Pref Shares	17.7	18.9●	-0.1	10.52
Sector Specialist Funds				
Commodity	146.7	156.5	+2.9	2.21
Financial Secs	46.7	49.8	+0.1	2.12
Int Leisure	14.8	15.6		0.56
Prop Shares	61.9	66.0●	-0.2	1.11
Univ Energy	44.7	47.7	+0.1	1.35
World Tech	41.0	43.7	-0.1	0.86
Overseas Growth Fund				
Amer Growth	96.4	102.6●	+1.4	3.27
Aust Growth	74.8	79.8●	+2.2	1.34
Euro Smaller	17.3	18.4●	+0.4	0.19
Far East	53.8	57.4●	-0.3	0.78
Intl Growth	37.0	39.6c	+0.5	1.49
Intl Recovery	103.5	110.4●	+0.4	2.68
Japan Smaller Cos	15.0	16.0●	+0.2	
Overseas Income Funds				
Intl High Inc	58.6	62.5c	-0.2	4.81
NEL Trusts				
Nelstar Gilt	66.1	69.6	+0.3	10.59
Britannia Unit Trusts				
Gold & Gen	20.5	22.1		1.93
Amer Smaller Co's	20.2	21.5		0.44
Japan Perf	77.2	82.3	+1.6	
Amer Income	58.2	62.1●		5.25
Exempt	81.2	85.0	-1.3	3.77
MIM Unit Trusts				
Gold & Precious Met	56.4	60.6●	+2.4	0.58
Do Accum	58.4	63.0●	+2.5	0.57
Japan Performance	130.5	139.2		0.00
Do Accum	131.0	139.7		0.00
US Special Features	65.3	69.6	+0.5	0.00
Do Accum	65.9	70.3	+0.5	0.00
US Special Inc	58.4	62.2		5.47
Do Accum	63.2	67.4		5.47
Equity Exempt	394.5	413.1●		3.58
Do Accum	489.4	522.9●		3.58
European Perf Inc	90.6	96.6●	+2.1	0.92
Do Accum	90.9	96.9●	+2.1	0.92
MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX 0622 674751				
MLA American	23.3	24.6	-0.1	1.01
MLA General	32.5	34.5	+0.4	2.17
MLA International	56.9	60.3●	+0.2	0.87
MLA Gilt Unit	22.1	23.4●	+0.2	11.11
MLA Income	38.5	40.8●	+0.2	5.51
MLA European	31.9	33.8●	+0.1	0.73
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT				
St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts 0438 356101				
Growth Units	71.4	75.9●		3.04
Gilt & Fixed Int	105.0	108.7		7.69
High Income Units	108.8	115.6		5.80
High Yield Gilt Units	56.8	58.5		8.84
Intl Growth Units	137.7	146.3		0.37
N American Units	67.0	71.2●		0.89
Far East Units	100.8	107.1		0.00
Smaller Cos Fund	66.5	70.7		2.09
MENCAP UNIT TRUST				
Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7 01-234 5544				
Mencap	131.7	140.1	+0.5	4.74
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33, King William St, EC4R 9AS 01-280 2860				
Amer Growth	92.0	97.8	+0.1	1.24
Do Accum	95.5	101.7	+0.1	1.24
Amer Income	50.0	53.1●	-0.1	4.64
Do Accum	53.3	56.7●	-0.1	4.64
European Growth	139.2	148.0●	-0.5	0.72
Do Accum	144.1	153.2●	-0.5	0.72
General	232.4	247.2●	+0.8	2.31
Do Accum	381.6	405.9●	+1.4	2.31
Gilt & Fixed	82.1	82.9	+0.3	8.19
Do Accum	92.5	93.4	+0.3	8.19
Income	89.9	95.6●	+0.2	4.80
Do Accum	90.3	96.0●	+0.2	4.80
International	263.2	280.0	+0.3	0.87
Do Accum	325.5	347.3	+0.4	0.87
Japan	183.9	197.6	-0.3	0.00
Do Accum	185.2	202.4	-0.3	0.00
Recovery	188.0	200.0c	-3.6	2.43
Do Accum	200.7	213.6c	+1.6	2.43
Exempt Dist	228.5	235.5		3.02
Exempt Accum	354.4	365.3		3.02
MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Courtwood Hse, Silver St Head, Sheffield S1 3RD 0742 769842				
Capital Income	74.0	78.9	+0.8	2.53
Do Accum	100.6	107.5	+1.7	2.58
Commodity & Gen	124.8	133.1	+0.7	2.85
Do Accum	176.1	187.8	+1.0	2.95
Extra High Inc	56.8	60.5●	-0.1	8.07
Do Accum	67.2	71.7●		8.07
Gilt & Fixed Inc	50.7	52.9●	+0.2	9.81
Do Accum	84.0	87.7●	+0.3	9.91
High Yield	151.8	161.9	+0.5	5.76
Do Accum	257.8	276.0	+0.9	5.76
Income	164.1	175.0	+1.0	4.02
Do Accum	271.8	289.9	+1.7	4.02
Japan & Pacific	287.8	306.9●	+0.6	0.06
Do Accum	301.8	321.9●	+0.6	0.06
N American Inc	110.2	117.5		1.23
Do Accum	131.9	140.7	-0.1	1.23
Euro Gth Inc	130.7	139.4	+0.6	1.32
Do Accum	156.7	167.2	+0.6	1.32
Managed Portfolio	51.6	54.8	-0.6	3.71
Smaller Cos Inc	110.7	118.0	-0.3	2.40
Do Accum	118.2	126.1	-0.2	2.40
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
163, Hope Street Glasgow G2 2UH 041 221 9252				
American	116.5	124.3●	-0.3	3.20
European	265.6	284.8●	+1.6	1.10
Smaller Cos	212.0	226.3	+0.1	1.24
NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH 01-623 4200 Ext 289				
NPI UK	192.5	204.8	+1.1	2.80
Do Accum	310.6	330.7	+1.8	2.80
NPI Overseas	610.2	649.2●	+1.4	0.90
Do Accum	747.3	795.0●	+1.8	0.90
Far East Acc	94.3	100.4	-0.7	0.10
American Acc	58.4	62.2	-0.1	1.10
European Acc	57.0	60.7●	+0.5	0.80
Worldwide Acc	53.3	56.8●	+0.1	2.40
NORWICH UT MANAGERS				
PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG 0603 622200				
Group Trust	£11.82	12.44	+0.07	3.76
Intl Trust	134.8	141.8●	+0.2	1.28
OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT				
66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0				
International Growth	147.9	158.2	-0.1	0.70
Income & Growth	56.9	60.9●	+0.1	2.87
Worldwide Rec	90.7	97.0	+0.7	0.41
American Growth	31.2	33.4●	-0.1	
Japan Growth	58.0	62.1	+0.6	0.00
European Growth	73.3	78.4	+0.4	1.21
UK Growth	52.9	56.6		0.17
Pacific Growth	47.5	50.5	+0.2	
High Income	33.7	36.1●	+0.1	7.00
Practical Income	53.6	57.0●		1.76
Do Accum	98.3	104.6●		1.76
PEARL TRUST				
252, High Holborn WC1V 7EB 01-405 8441				
Growth Fund Inc	89.3	95.0	+0.5	2.19
Do Accum	134.1	142.7	+0.8	2.19
Income Fund	116.7	124.1●	+0.5	3.89
Intl Equity Inc	132.8	141.3●	+0.7	1.51
Do Accum	134.0	142.5●	+0.7	1.51
Unit Trust Inc	125.2	133.2	+0.7	2.93
Do Accum	216.8	230.6	+1.2	2.93
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST				
48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames 0491 576868				
Intl Growth	267.7	287.3●	+1.0	0.75
Income	180.0	192.6●	+0.6	4.41
Worldwide Rec	148.0	158.9	+0.5	1.35
Amer Growth	66.7	71.6	-0.1	0.86
Intl Emerg Co's	76.0	81.6	+0.5	0.58
Far East Grwth	78.2	84.0	+0.2	0.85
European Gth	62.1	66.7	+0.4	1.30
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS				
222, Bishopsgate, London EC2 01-247 7544/7				
International	117.9	126.2●	+0.2	0.74
High Income	59.7	63.8s	-0.2	4.44
Conv & Gilt	95.4	102.1●	-0.4	5.96
Far Eastern	179.7	193.3●	+0.5	0.02
North American	128.4	135.7●	-0.3	0.64
Special Sits	66.4	71.4s	-0.2	1.96
Technology	110.8	119.0		0.00
Extra Income	84.6	91.0●	-0.5	4.74
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL 01-478 3377				
Holborn Equity	387.0	411.7●	+4.8	3.33
European	107.5	114.3	+0.6	0.53
Holborn Comms	52.5	55.8	+0.4	0.85
Holborn High Inc	62.3	66.2●	+0.2	5.65
Holborn Intl	99.9	106.2	-0.1	0.82
Japanese	96.4	102.5●	+0.6	0.05
N American	71.3	75.8	+0.1	0.87
Holborn Spec Sits	62.4	66.4	+0.7	2.10
Holborn UK Growth	79.2	84.2●	+1.0	2.20
Holborn Gilt Trust	176.9	184.9	+0.7	2.65
QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY				
31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH 01-600 4177				
Quadrant General	428.5	455.8c		2.51
Quadrant Income	233.1	248.0		5.29
Quadrant Intl Fd	404.7	428.9		1.04
Quadrant Recovery	252.8	268.0●		2.77
NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT				
St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU 01-280 5456				
NC Income	86.1	91.5	+0.5	4.27
NC Japan	186.5	198.3	+1.0	0.01
NC Major UK Co	49.1	52.2	+0.4	1.95
NC Smaller Aus	59.2	62.9	+0.6	1.60
NC American Inc	270.9	288.1	-0.3	1.40
Do Accum	295.8	314.6	-0.3	1.40
NC Smaller Cos	137.1	145.6●	+0.4	2.07
NC Smllr Europ Co's	193.6	205.9	+0.6	0.40
NC Exempt Gilt	£118.0	123.0c		9.26
ROWAN UNIT TRUST				
33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS 01-606 5676				
American (4)	224.0	228.0c		1.95
Securities (2)	668.0	683.0		2.33
High Yield (5)	171.5	175.0		6.52
Marlin (8)	411.0	419.0		2.25
Fixed Interest	156.0	157.0		2.54
High Interest	111.5	112.5●		13.80
Far East (2)	248.5	252.0		0.05
ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT				
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051-227 4422				
Equity Trust	89.9	95.7	+0.5	2.76
Intl Trust	73.4	78.0●		1.28
Gilt Trust	24.7	26.0	+0.1	8.84
US Trust	31.8	33.6●		1.56
Pacific Basin Tst	43.9	46.6●	+0.3	0.37
20 Clifton St, London EC2 01-920 0311				
Equity Dist	111.2	118.8	+0.6	1.58
Do Accum	156.3	166.3	+0.6	1.58
High Income Trust	86.9	92.5●	+0.4	4.58
Do Accum	102.3	108.9●	+0.4	4.58
US Growth	54.8	58.4	+0.1	0.98
Do Accum	55.4	59.0	-0.5	0.98
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA 0206 576115				
American Growth	81.4	86.6	+0.2	0.85
Capital Accum	171.2	182.2	+1.0	2.23
Gilt Income	51.4	54.2●	+0.3	9.54
High Income	76.7	81.7●	+0.1	5.06
Income & Growth	95.8	102.0	+0.2	4.40
Japan Growth	92.4	98.3	+0.4	0.03
Special Sits	104.2	110.9●	+1.0	1.37
SAVE & PROSPER				
28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB (Romford) 0708-66966				
Amer Inc & Growth	66.5	71.1	+0.1	7.05
Capital Units	101.9	108.9	-0.7	2.06
Commodity	53.6	57.3●	+0.3	1.09
European Growth	116.7	124.6	-0.6	0.49
Financial Secs	97.8	104.5	+0.3	2.05
High Return Units	176.8	189.0	+0.4	5.11
High Yield Units	157.5	168.4●	+0.3	4.89
Income Units	88.8	95.0	+0.2	6.36
Investment Trust	86.4	92.4c	-0.3	2.67
Japan Growth	100.0	108.9●	+0.3	0.00
Japan Smaller Cos	114.1	122.0	+1.7	0.00
Masterfund	29.3	31.3		2.92
Scotbits	128.1	137.0	+0.4	2.48
Scotshares	150.4	160.8	+0.3	4.24
Scotyields	146.4	158.5●	+0.5	4.76
Select International	80.0	85.5c	-0.1	1.51
Smaller Co's Inc	151.4	161.9●	+0.1	4.68
Special Situations	90.6	96.8	+0.7	2.04
UK Equity	173.1	185.1	-0.8	2.76
US Growth	70.0	74.8	-0.1	1.93
Universal Growth	90.8	97.1c		1.28
SCHRODER UNIT TRUST				
Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
American Acc	128.1	137.0	-0.2	0.78
Australia Acc	80.6	86.6●	+1.5	0.88
European Inc	126.3	135.0●	+0.6	0.83
Do Accum	130.3	139.3●	+0.9	0.83
Gilt & Fixed Inc	51.2	54.0●	+0.1	9.09
Gold Fund Inc	41.8	44.7●	+0.6	1.89
Do Accum	44.1	47.1●	+0.6	1.98
Income	171.1	182.9	+0.5	5.28
Intl Income	115.9	123.9	-0.2	8.45
Do Accum	159.9	171.0	-0.3	8.45
Jap Smllr Co's Ac	133.6	142.6	-0.4	0.00
Sing & Malay Acc	61.9	66.0	+0.4	0.86
Smaller Co Inc Acc	132.7	141.9	+0.5	1.18
Special Sits Inc	102.6	109.9●	+0.4	0.98
Do Accum	107.2	114.6●	+0.4	0.98
Tokyo Fund Inc	220.4	233.7●	+2.5	0.00
Do Accum	218.2	233.3●	+2.6	0.00
US Smaller Co's Ac	51.1	54.6	+0.1	0.00
UK Equity Inc	98.6	106.7	+0.4	3.39
Do Accum	155.0	163.7	+0.6	3.39
Far East Gth Accum	58.2	60.1●	-0.1	0.50
Extra Inc	62.0	66.3●		7.42
SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGEMENT				
33-35 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX 01-623 5776/6711				
UK Equity Inc	23.4	24.9●	-0.4	5.17
Do Acc	23.6	25.1●	-0.4	5.17
Euro Tst Inc	28.8	30.6	-0.2	1.00
Do Acc	28.8	30.6	-0.2	1.00
Global Gth Inc	28.6	30.5	+0.1	1.00
Do Acc	28.7	30.5	+0.1	1.00
Managed Exempt	117.9	122.9		4.00
Pacific Basin	23.6	25.1		1.00
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE				
28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031-556 9101				
Intl Income Units	150.3	159.9●		3.81
Do Accum	223.3	237.5●		3.81
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	176.9	188.2●	+1.8	1.86
American	145.9	155.1●	-0.2	1.32
Pacific	191.3	204.7●	+1.2	0.05
European	258.4	274.3●	+0.8	0.53
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS				
109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041-248 6100				
UK Equity	164.0	174.5●	+1.7	2.63
Gilt & Fixed	108.5	115.5●	+0.5	8.87
UK Smlr Co's Eq	144.8	153.9●	+0.6	2.40
European	216.2	230.1●	+1.4	0.93
N American	110.9	118.0●	-0.8	1.44
Pacific	185.1	197.0●	+0.8	0.49
SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST				
29 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 4372				
Pacific	67.6	72.3	+0.5	0.00
World Growth	37.8	40.3		0.14
N American	31.6	33.8		0.03
Income Fund	44.1	47.2		5.05
European	46.6	49.9	+0.1	0.81
N Amer Inc	25.8	27.6●	-0.2	1.94
UK Growth	29.3	31.4●		2.15
Extra Inc	30.8	33.0●		5.47
SCOTTISH WIDOWS				
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031-655 6000				
Peg Eq Inc	223.5	237.9●	+1.2	3.17
Do Accum	261.0	277.5●	+1.4	3.17
SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT				
30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY 01-638 6011				
Amer Tech & Gen	96.3	103.0●	-0.1	0.24
Pacific	195.1	208.6	-2.7	0.00
Sec Income Fnd	162.9	174.3c	+1.1	4.18
Special Situations	196.3	210.0		1.49
Intl Growth	37.5	40.2	+0.8	0.16
American Majors	68.0	72.8	-0.3	0.31
Small Co's	39.1	41.9●		1.87
Japan Tech & Gen	109.4	117.1	+0.1	0.00
International Income	55.9	59.8c	+0.1	5.63
Exempt	536.3	573.8●	+2.3	2.25
UK General	33.1	35.4		1.81
Euro Growth	40.6	43.4	+0.2	0.32
Euro Income	46.2	49.4●	+0.7	4.00
STANDARD LIFE				
3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Income Units	24.1	25.8●		2.74
Do Accum Units	27.1	29.1●	+0.1	2.74
STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-226 3271				
American Fund	219.4	233.7	-0.2	2.37
Do Accum	245.3	262.4	-0.3	2.37
Do Withdrawal	153.9	164.0	-0.2	2.37
Australian Fund	122.7	130.7	+0.2	1.01
Do Accum	124.8	132.9	+0.3	1.01
British Fund	573.2	610.5●	+2.3	4.39
Do Accum	785.8	837.0●	+3.1	4.39
European Fund	322.2	343.3●	+2.1	0.79
Do Accum	341.3	363.6●	+2.4	0.79
Japan Fund	64.4	68.6●	+0.1	0.22
Do Accum	64.7	68.9●	+0.1	0.22
Saints PPP	165.9	175.7		
SUN ALLIANCE				
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex 0403 56293				
Equity Trust Acc	378.6	402.7	+3.4	2.68
N Am Trust Acc	57.7	61.3	-0.2	1.46
Far East Trust Acc	89.7	95.4	-0.1	0.26
Worldwide Bond	51.6	54.9	+0.1	6.43
SUN LIFE OF CANADA				
2,3,4, Cockspur Street, London SW1Y 5BH Dealing no:01-930 2602				
UK Income	23.1	24.7		5.06
Do Growth	22.9	24.4		3.09
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Keens House, Andover, Hants, SP10 1PG 0264 56789 Dealings: 0264 63432/3/4				
American Inc	111.4	118.6		1.46
Do Accum	117.2	124.7		1.46
Extra Income Inc	112.6	119.7●		5.63
Do Accum	134.8	143.5●		5.63
General Unit Inc	126.6	134.7		2.94
Do Accum	252.7	268.9		2.94
Gilt & Fixed Inc	48.1	48.7		8.72
Do Accum	61.1	63.7		8.72
Income	210.0	223.5		4.69
Accum	327.6	348.6		4.69
Pacific Inc	171.4	182.4		0.41
Do Accum	177.0	188.3		0.41
Intl Inc	327.2	348.0c		1.22
Do Accum	404.7	430.5c		1.22
Selected Opps Inc	82.7	88.0●		1.82
Do Accum	69.3	73.8●		1.82
Natural Res	51.1	54.4●		1.91
Do Accum	53.0	56.4●		1.91
TARGET TRUST MANAGERS				
Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks 0296 5941				
Amer Eagle	71.3	75.8	-0.2	0.09
Australian	20.2	21.5	+0.1	0.10
Commodity	75.8	80.8	+0.6	1.12
Energy	29.0	31.0		1.91
Equity	120.2	128.8	+0.4	3.81
European Spec Sits	113.5	120.4	+0.9	0.68
Extra Income	111.2	119.7●		5.95
Financial	255.8	273.4●	+0.3	1.82
Gilt Income	97.4	102.4●	+0.2	8.47
Gold Income	72.0	76.8c	-0.3	0.65
Do Accum	131.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	79.3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan	104.8	111.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Malay & Singapore	24.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Inc	102.4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Reinvest	125.5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pref Share Fd	17.2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK Capital	68.1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Special Sits	82.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Technology	46.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
World Income	50.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Worldwide Capital	142.7	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Equity Ex (3)	80.4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum (3)	151.4	161.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
Park House 16 Finsbury Circus London EC2M 7DJ 01-374 4586				
Far East & Gen	59.8	64.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan & Gen	59.1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nth Amer & Gen	48.3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oriental Inc				
Pacific Tech	39.5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tiger	84.8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK & Gen	40.2	43.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
3i UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP				
Smaller Co's	62.2	66.1	-0.7	[illegible]
TOUCHE REMNANT				
Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT 01-248 1250				
American Growth	39.1	41.7●	[illegible]	[illegible]
General Growth	50.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Global Tech	43.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income Growth	59.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income Monthly	46.5	49.7●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan Growth	47.9	51.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Man Equity Inc	34.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	34.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
O'seas Growth	49.3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Smaller Cos	51.4	55.4●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Special Opps	72.8	77.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
TYNDALL MANAGERS				
18, Canynge Rd, Bristol 0272 732241				
Australian	61.2	65.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Acc	63.7	68.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Capital	303.1	322.5●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	547.3	582.9●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	648.0	690.1●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Far Eastern	118.1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	186.1	200.7●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fin & Prop	84.2	87.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	85.5	91.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gilt Capital	113.7	117.4●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	160.0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gilt Income	98.7	101.7●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	164.3	169.3●	[illegible]	[illegible]
High Yield	53.5	56.8s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	118.5	124.2●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	224.0	238.5●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	686.7	745.2●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Intl Earnings	158.8	169.6●	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS				
UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH 0722 336242				
UK Equity	114.8	121.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Basin	168.1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
N Amer	119.7	128.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
VANGUARD TRUST				
65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU General Enquiries 01-236 3053 Dealing 236 2468				
Growth Inc	177.0	188.4●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	261.0	277.7●	[illegible]	[illegible]
High Yield	192.9	205.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	197.3	209.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
Special Sits	38.8	41.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	39.2	41.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
Trustee	130.0	138.3●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	198.3	212.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amer & Gen	60.0	63.8●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	60.2	64.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Master Portfolio	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Abing Roln Asts (5)	115.7	123.1●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	114.9	122.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
Far East & Gen Inc	53.2	56.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Accum	53.2	56.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Euro Inc	47.9	51.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Do Acc	47.9	51.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
WARDLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2 01-929 1532				
American Trust	64.0	68.8●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Far East & Gen	108.6	115.6●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Intl Growth	73.4	78.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income Trust	52.5	55.9●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan Growth	127.7	135.9●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Small Companies	104.9	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Technology	34.4	36.6●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Australia	45.1	48.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK Trust	130.4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
European Growth	59.2	63.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hong Kong	28.4	30.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT				
13, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031-225 1551				
Australian Gold	25.9	27.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pacific Basin	21.4	22.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
Canadian Bal Gth	57.8	61.6●	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ginnie Mae Fnd	£101.3	106.2●	[illegible]	[illegible]
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2 Honey La EC2 8BT 01-606 9085/6				
Sht Dtd Gilt Fund	67.8	69.5	+0.1	[illegible]
US Govt Bond Fd	£51.4	51.6	+0.2	
WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Windsor House, 83, Kingsway, London WC2B 6SD 01-405 8331				
Conv & Equity	47.9	51.0●	+0.1	7.71
Income	53.0	56.4●	+0.4	[illegible]
Growth	51.4	54.7●	+0.1	[illegible]

The prices in this section refer to Monday's trading

● Ex dividend. c Cum dividend. k Cum stock split. s Ex stock split. m Cum all (any two or more of above). a Ex all (any two or more of above). Dealing or valuation days: (1) Monday (2) Tuesday (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday (5) Friday (20) 25th of month (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Tuesday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of February, May, August, November. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month (39) 2nd Wednesday of month (40) Valued monthly. (41) Last Thursday of Stock Exchange account. (42) Last day of month. (43) 2nd and 4th Wednesday of month. (44) Quarterly (45) 6th of month (46) 2nd Tuesday of month.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
15	8½	A & M Gp	9		0.6	6.7	12.8
60	45	ATA Selection	52		2.1	4.0	13.9
130	93	Abbeycrest	116		3.6	3.1	16.5
69	33	Aberdeen Stk Hse	51	-4	3.1	6.1	14.2
143	45	Access Satellite			4.6f		
108	32	Acorn Comp	42				2.9
21	8½	Acsis Jewellery	15	-1			8.0
22	10½	Adam Leisure	18				2.0
123	98	Airspring	98		7.7	8.0	
282	204	Alida	250		9.6	3.8	14.1
190	152	Anglia Secure Hms	190		2.3	1.2	28.3
121	99	Antler	108				
165	131	Appleyard	158		2.9	1.8	15.2
290	210	App Holographics	253				
250	185	Do Wrnts	205				
355	163	Aspen Comms	313		4.4	1.4	32.6
180	110	Aspinall	110		8.6	7.8	5.9
620	443	Asprey	543		14.3	2.6	15.5
40	16	Assoc Energy	32				7.9
233	174	ASD	175	●	11.4	6.5	7.6
129	122	Atlas Equipment	128	●	7.0	5.5	11.6
85	61	Automagic	88	●	8.6	9.8	15.5
70	67	BBB Design	68		1.4	2.1	16.3
228	185	BPP	196	●	7.1	3.6	16.2
85	68	BTS Grp	80		5.7	7.1	9.4
123	58	Bedford (William)	88	●	6.4	7.3	8.2
28	12	Bennett & Fountain	24	-½	0.7	2.9	19.5
53	31	Bensons Crisps	42				11.8
17½	7¼	Berkeley & Hay	16				27.6
91	28	Berkeley Exp	32	+2			4.5
245	139	Berkeley Gp	218	-2	3.0	1.4	24.0
30	10	Bio Isolates	10				
34	18	Biomechanics	25	-1			
44	40	Bipel	40		1.8	4.5	10.0
135	88	Blanchards	112	●-2	6.4	5.7	12.2
235	165	Bluebird Toys	235		5.0	2.1	18.2
160	133	Borland	133	-2			
27	19	Brewmaker	20		1.1	5.5	10.6
210	85	Brikat	97		6.0	6.2	6.6
200	125	Brin	200				
130	75	Britannia Sec	123	+1	2.1b	1.7	20.0
250	155	Br Bloodstock	155		12.6	8.1	7.3
59	50	Br Island	57		4.0	7.0	10.4
59	49	Broad St	51		1.6	3.1	
55	49	Broad St	51		1.6b	3.1	
358	178	Brookmount	283		5.0	1.8	15.4
165	115	Brown (Charles)	165		4.3	2.6	17.2
345	195	Bryant (Derek)	225		11.6b	5.2	8.8
9	2	Bula Resources	2½				
103	73	CCA Galleries	91	-5	3.4	3.7	13.5
180	125	CML Micro	147		2.6	1.8	15.1
36	5½	CPS Comp	6¼		1.4	22.4	3.3
42	25	CPU Comp	31		●		17.2
195	130	CVD	145	●			
320	85	Caledonian Off	90				
69	62	Camrotech	65				
149	86	Cannon Street Inv	148	+5	2.9	4.5	13.3
350	213	Central TV	345	●	3.6	2.4	22.1
115	64	Chancery Secs	115	+1	20.0	5.8	13.5
148	83	Checkpoint Europe	148		3.1	2.7	12.9
132	125	Chelsea Man	127	-1			18.0
18	8½	Chem Methods	7		3.1	2.4	20.9
253	120	Cheshire W	212		3.0	42.9	
17	8½	Cifer	10		5.2	2.5	22.6
40	25	Cityvision	34	+2	●		1.5
603	475	Cityvision 7%	560	+20			
115	70	Circaprint	71		1.5	2.1	8.2
173	152	Clarke Hooper	158		3.3	2.1	21.1
26	11	Clogau Gold	26	+½			
55	25	Cliff Oil Hdgs	48	+1			
113	87	Coated Electrodes	105		5.6	5.3	12.2
69	53	Cobra Emerald	65	+5			
130	21	Colne	123		3.9	3.2	13.5
108	21	Colorgen Inc	35				
175	110	Comp Financial	150		3.1	2.1	27.6
53	30	Compsoft	35				5.9
130	74	Consultants	120		1.8	1.5	23.3
60	38	Cons Tam Invs	45		7.1e	15.8	30.2
343	208	Conti Microwave	275	●+5	6.4	2.3	15.8
106	85	Cowells	95		3.7	3.9	13.2
143	53	CPM	93		2.5	2.7	13.6
415	308	Cramphorn	328		7.4	2.3	23.2
78	48	Cranbrook	53	+3	0.7e	1.3	14.0
114	98	Cranswick	106		7.6	7.2	9.2
136	75	Creston Lodge	83		2.8	3.4	17.5
198	168	Creighton Labs	195	+7	5.3	2.7	23.8
103	58	Crown TV Prods	73				
111	75	Crusts	110		1.5	1.4	12.2
73	43	DBE Tech	46				42.6
183	115	DDT	173		1.7	1.0	15.0
140	78	DJ Sec Alarms	104		2.1	2.0	8.5
91	63	Dacron	68	●	1.4	2.1	11.9
210	190	Davies (DY)	201	-1	4.9	2.4	21.4
84	55	Dean & Bowes	80		3.8	4.8	16.3
28	20	De Brett (Andre)	24½		0.4	1.6	12.3
145	133	Debtor	139	●-3	5.7	4.3	
57	40	Delmar	46		2.9	6.3	9.1
138	105	Dencora	113		2.9	2.6	15.6
115	70	Denmans Elec	80		5.4	6.8	6.1
185	68	Dewey Warren	70	+2	10.7e	15.3	4.7
235	130	Dialene	229	●+5	7.0	3.0	12.8
450	345	Druck	428		5.6	1.3	28.6
24	18½	Dunton	17		0.6	3.5	13.1
58	39	Eadie	54		2.5	4.6	16.7
148	102	Ealing Elect Optcs	114		3.1	2.7	19.8
32½	6	Ecobric	30		0.4	1.3	22.4
323	238	Eon Fund	240		9.3	3.9	14.3
43	22	Eon Oil & Gas	24		●		60.0
384	244	Eldridge Pope A	384	+5	9.6	2.5	17.7
148	108	Electron House	123	●	4.9	4.0	16.1
100	61	Electronic Data P	80		2.3	2.9	11.7
33	24	Ennex	24				
16	7	Entertainment Prod	13		1.4	10.8	5.8
215	122	Europa	135		7.1	5.3	11.3
112	103	Eve Construction	106		6.4	6.0	12.0
310	138	FII	300				
248	151	FKB Gp	235		3.6	1.5	25.2
161	140	F & H Group	140				
90	51	Feedback	53		3.8	7.4	19.1
42	18	Fergebrook	21	+1	1.7	8.1	1.7
133	123	Fields (Mrs)	130	●			
73	63	Fletcher Dennys	67	-1	3.6	5.4	15.6
85	31	Fledach	30				8.8
208	100	Fogas	188	●			
60	30	Floyd Oil	34	+2			13.9
88	84	Ford & Weston	84	-1	4.3	5.1	10.1
220	130	French Conn	143	+13	7.5	5.2	9.3
112	65	Freshbake	110		2.7	2.5	18.4
338	210	Fuller Smith A	331		5.9	1.8	17.2
148	94	Gabicci	145	●+3	4.3	3.0	17.4
150	93	Gee (Cecil)	93		3.7	4.0	
47	35	Gee/Rosen	44		2.4	5.5	13.3
85	72	Gibbon Lyons	83		5.0	6.0	14.3
185	100	Gibbs Mew	165		5.1	3.3	17.0
64	11	Gilbert House	64	+3			
60	32	Global Gp	44		3.2	7.3	10.7
186	78	Godwin Warren	81		3.1	3.8	11.8
143	88	Goodhead Print	125	r	4.3	3.4	14.0
128	95	Gould (Laurence)	108		5.3	4.9	8.7
91	56	Granyte Surface	65		3.0	4.6	11.3
153	145	Great Southern	153	+1	7.4	4.8	13.1
140	118	Green (Ernest)	138		4.9	3.6	13.4
38	19	Greenwich Cable	27	-1			
115	81½	Grosvenor Sq	88	●	8.6	9.8	7.0
190	160	Guernsey Atlantic	190		3.5	1.8	36.9
98	58	Hampden Homecare	88		2.1	2.4	14.1
228	133	Harvey & Thomp	225	●+10	8.6	3.8	15.0
255	198	Havelock Europa	233		5.7	2.4	21.9
48	26	Health Care	41		1.1	2.7	16.3
480	363½	Heavitree	430		12.3	2.9	16.9
390	253½	Do 'A' LV	370		12.3	3.3	14.5
150	143½	Henderson Prime	150				
415	165	High-Point	165		6.1	3.7	10.5
205	43	Highland Part	45				
91	85	Hills Ergonom	90	-2	2.9	3.2	14.4
30½	7	Hobson	28½	-¼			
120	105	Hodgson	118	-2	3.0	2.5	19.7
133	105	Holden Hydroman	125		4.6	3.7	16.0
158	112	Holmes Protection	113				
26	22	Hughes Food	24	+½	0.7	2.9	17.3
14	5½	Humbrod Elec	7½		0.4	5.3	7.5
188	115	Hunter Saphir	165		3.6	2.2	21.5
255	188	Huntleigh Tech	200	●	2.1	1.1	24.1
220	165	INSTEM	170		3.6	2.1	14.6
31	13	Imtec	13	-1	3.0	23.1	1.6
115	44	Ind Scot Energy	85				10.2
109	66	InfraRed	68				
363	190	Interurope Tech	213	●	8.3	3.9	10.7
32	21	Israel (Jack L)	28		0.7	3.0	17.8
350	233	JS Pathology	325		3.3	1.0	28.8
190	116	Jaques Vert	185	+2	7.9	4.3	16.3
25	2	Jebsens	8		●		0.3
148	105	Johnson & Jorg	105	●-3	6.0	5.7	12.0
120	73	Johnstones Paints	100	●	6.1b	6.1	11.1
70	46	Just Robber	60		2.5	4.2	9.9
330	253	KLP	285		4.7	1.6	16.6
92	67	Kent (John)	75		2.3	3.1	15.4
320	320	Kenyon Secs	320	+3	14.9	4.7	15.5
63	53	Kewill Systems	55	-3	1.7	3.1	8.1
113	50	Klark-Teknik	70	+5	1.4b	2.0	12.8
113	67	LPA Ind	75		3.9	5.2	7.4
68	37	Laidlaw	65	●	4.1	6.3	8.1
125	70	Laidlaw Thomson	108	●	5.6	5.2	13.0
52	32	Leisure Inv	51				25.4
116	100	Lewmar	105		3.8	3.6	12.9
170	149	Local Lon Gp	170	+5	5.0	2.9	19.1
91	73	Lodge Care	86	-3	2.9	3.4	17.9
140	95	Lon & Clydeside	113		8.0	7.1	10.2
198	133	Lorin Elect	176	-2	3.6	2.0	15.4
62	17	Lyssander Pet	21				
95	77	MS Cash & Carry	93	●	5.1	5.5	
260	180	MMT Comp	258		6.6	2.6	21.7
160	101	McLaughlin & Har	120	●	10.0	8.3	6.9
125	45	Magnetic Materials	63	●	2.7	4.3	8.2
94	54	Mainmet	94	●+4	1.4	1.5	29.5
95	83	Manns Dev	83				
176	92	Martin (Ronald)	160		4.7	2.9	21.6
35	9	Maxiprint	17				
116	101	Mayfair City	115		4.3	3.7	24.4
306	195	Meadow Farm	291		5.4	1.9	25.5
220	123	Media Tech	136	●-2	4.0	2.9	9.9
98	75	Mellerware	85	●	4.4	5.2	20.0
19	9	Memory Comp	15		23.2		2.5
75	13	Mercom Ind Hldgs	30		5.0	16.7	2.0
153	135	Mewer-Swan	153		3.6	2.4	16.2
390	350	Merrydown Wine	360	●+6	8.6	2.4	19.5
136	95	Metal Bulletin	115	●	8.3	5.5	18.2
102	71	Metsec	82		3.7	4.5	12.0
85	69	Michael (John)	75		1.7	2.3	18.2
760	360	Microfilm	693		2.9	0.5	83.7
230	100	Microlease	100		5.7	5.7	8.2
47	22	Microvitec	36		1.8	5.0	15.8
385	231	Midsummer Inns	370		3.6	1.0	27.5
148	142	Miller & Santhouse	144		3.2	2.2	25.9
193	165	Millward Brown	170		3.6	2.1	37.0
220	130	Miss World	205	●	7.9	3.9	10.8
47	13	Mnemos			r		
158	108	Moorgate Gp	123		2.0	1.6	22.8
124	82	Monks & Crane	114		3.9	3.4	14.3
158	124	Monotype	124	-1			
50	25	Morley (RH)	45		2.1	4.7	22.4
23½	15	Morris (William)	19				7.6
115	63	Moss Advertising	70		3.5	5.0	8.4
192	125	Musterlin	167	-4	4.3	2.6	14.5
367	237	NMW Comp	263	-2	8.6	3.3	14.3
21	6	New Ct Nat Res	8	r			2.1
5½	0½	Do Wrnts	1	+½			
20	14	New England Props	16				7.7
95	75	Do 10%	£80		0	12.5	
77	73	Newage Trans	73		5.0	6.8	8.3
21	10	Nimslo	12	+1			
150	91	Norank	148		4.3	2.9	19.2
190	45	Norbain	45		1.0	2.2	4.9
165	83	Norscot Hotels	143	-5	3.4	2.4	15.7
48	14	Nth Sea & Gen	21	-1			4.2
75	38	Oilfield Inspec	38		2.9e	7.6	5.7
37	22	Optometrics	25				
293	180	Osborne & Little	285		4.3	1.5	27.2
35½	23	Owners Abroad	35½		2.1	6.0	10.0
143	85	PCT	118	●	4.6	3.9	13.5
235	168	Paper Systems	170	●			
78	53	Pacific Sales	63	●	4.3	8.1	11.3
158	130	Pantherella	148		3.3	3.6	13.5
480	92	Penfield Gp	161	●	5.1	2.8	10.0
82	10	Paul M Lele	54		e		25.8
83	17	Pavion	18				3.2
165	80	Peps Group	160		4.7	2.9	15.4
148	63	Pencom	120		3.3b	2.8	58.3
39	28	Perkins (J)	28		1.7	6.1	6.8
110	103	Personal Computer	105		4.3	4.1	10.7
200	128	Peters (Michael)	148	+17	3.7	2.5	22.7
27	12	Petrogen	20	+2			
34	28	Piccadilly Radio	28		2.9	10.4	13.7
118	24	Pict Pet	32				4.4
73	31	Pineapple	68				
50	25	Plasmec	48		1.0	2.1	8.9
176	115	Platon	143		4.4	3.1	10.4
245	68	Polytech Marine	95		5.4	5.7	13.6
158	75	Powerline	85	●	2.9	3.4	11.4
143	93	Prontaprint	93		3.6	3.9	10.7
6¾	2	Property Tst 10p	2005¾				
6½	2	Do 8p	2006½				
308	158	Quessal	205		6.3	3.1	13.8
91	90	Radamel	90				
43	18	Radio City A	32		●		6.3
53	33	Radio Clyde	53		4.6	8.7	17.2
125	85	Radius	93		1.4	1.5	14.0
40	12	Ramco Oil	12		●		2.9
105	86	Ramus	88		7.5	8.5	14.8
62	22	Randsworth	44	●	0.4	0.9	
78	40	Real Time Control	78		2.9	3.7	22.5
42	14	Reliant Motor	16				13.7
190	70	Rivlin	143		0.1	0.1	
87	30	Rockwood	70	+4	0.6	0.9	
105	63	Rolfe & Nolan	101		2.9	2.9	43.5
139	112	SAC	123		2.1	1.7	21.2
128	73	Sangers Photo	84	+2	3.1	3.7	24.3
48	10	Sapphire Pet	11	+1			1.5
135	104	Savage	125		4.3	3.4	17.3
178	110	Scanro	115	+2	5.7	5.0	9.4
195	120	Scot Heritable	148	●	4.6	3.1	12.9
133	71	Securiguard	125		3.9	3.1	23.3
28	7	SelecTV	18	-1			
350	171	Shandwick	345		6.0	1.7	19.9
355	258½	Share Drug Strs	310		2.9	0.9	35.4
98	68½	Sheldon Jones	90	●	6.6	7.3	9.2
260	168	Sherwood Comp	230	●	4.6	2.0	27.7
195	145	Shield	188	+13	2.9	1.5	31.3
101	50	Sigmex	63	●	0.8	1.3	28.0
173	128	Sims Catering	133	-2	5.7	4.3	16.3
220	136	Sinclair (William)	188	-7	7.5	4.0	11.7
198	155	Smallbone	198	+3	5.1	3.0	15.7
131	96	Snowdon Bridge	105		3.9	3.7	12.3
39	33	Soundtracks	37		1.7	4.6	11.0
162	113	Sthn Bus	143		4.3	3.0	8.2
31	11	SW Resources	12				4.8
99	85	Space Planning	88		2.6	3.0	14.8
63	48	Spectra Auto	55	●	3.7	6.7	8.7
38	20	Spectrum	27		●		3.0
99	63	Spice	87		4.0	4.6	13.2
71	55	Splash	63		4.7	7.5	10.5
220	85	Stainless Metal	176	+1	6.0	3.4	25.1
108	71	Sterling Pub	103		2.9b	2.8	22.9
38½	17½	Sunleigh Elect	24½	+½			50.0
93	58	Sutherland (ET)	83	●	4.8	7.6	19.8
125	108	Swindon Pr Hosp	115				38.3
230	175	Synapse Comp	200	+10	3.1	1.6	16.7
250	150	T & S Stores	235	-5	4.6	2.0	25.1
200	110	TDS Circuits	156		2.9	1.9	6.7
134	111	TMD Advert	116		2.4	2.1	21.1
120	108	Task Force	116		2.5	2.2	17.1
164	92	Tay Homes	169	+6	6.8	4.0	24.5
148	75	Tech For Bus	75		7.7	10.3	7.5
385	194	Tech Comp	315		4.6	1.5	42.5
205	115	Telecomputing	173		2.1	1.2	18.5
168	90	Tel Serv Int	91	●-2	3.1	3.4	29.3
145	70	Thermax	135	●-1	7.1	6.3	14.4
272½	180	Therm Scientific	225	+7	3.6	1.6	20.3
88	63	Thorpac	81		3.6	4.4	12.1
56	42	Tinsley (Eliza)	45		4.1	9.1	8.7
145	113	Tod (W&J)	140		4.7	3.4	26.2
50	30	Towngrade Sec	30		1.6	5.3	23.4
159	138	Trade Promotion	187	●	6.2	3.3	18.5
495	270	Trencherwood	465	●	7.6	1.7	21.7
98	60	Trilion	69	+9	1.6	2.3	14.7
280	140	Tyne Tees A	235	●	19.5	8.3	6.0
76	43	Utd Ceramic	73		5.4	7.4	12.3
550	420	Utd Friendly	548		26.0	4.7	
135	93	Utd Packaging	108	●	4.6	4.3	8.1
385	335	Utd Tst Credit	348	-3	20.0	5.7	
98	81	Usher (Frank)	98		6.4	6.5	11.7
100	35	Viewplan	36	●-2	1.6	5.0	16.0
108	61	Wayne Kerr	63	-1	2.3	3.7	7.0
110	75	Webber Electro	108	●	3.3	3.1	13.2
18	14	Welpac	15½	+½	0.4	2.6	10.6
98	68	West Yorkshire	98		5.7b	5.8	13.2
191	150	Wickes	183	●+6	3.6	2.0	22.3
10	4¼	Willaire Syst	9¼	+1¼			44.3
27½	16½	William (Rex) Hldgs	18		1.3	7.0	14.9
490	98	Wingate	415	●+5	2.8	0.7	68.8
90	48	Wold	60		1.1	1.8	53.6
230	151	Worcester	228		7.9	3.5	23.8
220	148	Wid of Leather	160	-1	3.5	2.3	17.2
98	63	Wyko	65		3.7	5.7	9.9
4	4	Xylitol	2004				
158	118	Yellowhammer	135		2.3	1.7	19.8
38	25	Yelverton	37				
97	30	York Mount	70		1.9	2.7	32.4
69	25	York & Equity	62				
104	80	Do 8%	£95		800	8.4	
37	16	Zygal Dynamics	37	-1	0.7	1.9	5.1

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
117	94	Ailsa	114	+1	3.8	3.2	22.3
820	653	Alliance	803	●+3	31.8	4.0	38.4
149	124	Amer Trust	128	+1	4.4	3.5	35.1
392	286	Ang Amer Sec	370	+7	8.9	2.4	58.3
120	94	Atlantic Assets	100	●+1	0.9	0.9	76.3
128	98	Bankers	126	+4	3.9b	3.0	48.1
254	159	Berry	235		1.5b	0.6	
62½	53	Br Assets	54½		3.0	5.5	30.4
33	31	Br Empire Sec	34½		0.7	2.0	47.3
460	364	Br Inv	449		21.7	4.8	28.8
108	80	Brunner	99	+1	3.3	3.3	45.0
858	790	Cont & Ind	820	+5	31.4	3.8	35.5
250	139	Crescent Japan	213	+1	0.5	0.2	
157	108	Derby Inc	152		12.8	8.4	18.1
145	110	Do Cap	134				
364	314	Drayton Cons	338	+2	14.6	4.3	33.2
190	134	Drayton Far East	186	+3	1.6	0.9	
772	420	Drayton Japan	710	+2	1.4e	0.2	
208	176	Dundee Lon	195		8.0b	4.1	34.7
117	98	Edin Amer Asset	98		0.9	0.9	76.6
162	119	Edinburgh	142	+1	4.7	3.3	41.8
388	284	Electric Gen	368		6.4	1.7	81.6
166	136	English Int	165		5.5	3.3	48.1
100	75	English Scot	100	●+1	2.0	2.0	60.6
80	60	Ensign	69	+1	2.0	2.9	78.7
119	85	F & C Alliance	116		2.6	2.2	61.1
217	142	F & C Pacific	208	●+2	2.1	1.0	80.3
10½	8½	First Charlotte	10½		0.1	1.0	
348	267	First Scot Amer	322	+2	15.0	4.7	30.9
120	65	First Un Gen	95		8.7	9.2	8.0
585	480	Fleming American	503	-2	8.2	1.6	82.5
193	145	Fleming Claver	180		7.4	4.1	34.6
346	284	Fleming Enterprise	305	+2	12.9	4.2	34.2
130	84½	Fleming Far East	130	+1	1.4	1.1	
140	109	Fleming Fledgling	132	+1	3.6	2.7	51.0
739	480	Fleming Japan	710	+2	5.7	0.8	
165	123	Fleming Mercantile	163		5.6	3.4	42.1
161	128	Fleming Overseas	152	●+1	3.9	2.6	75.2
182	140	Fleming Tech	146	-2	3.3	2.3	94.2
142	107	Fleming Universal	139	●+2	2.1b	1.5	67.8
102	68	For Col	97	+1	2.4b	2.5	65.5
109	88	GBC Capital	91				
225	118	GT Japan	225	●+3	2.0	0.9	
193	138	General Funds	188	-1	2.9	1.5	96.9
330	275	General Cons	305		17.8b	5.9	28.8
149	115	Glasgow Stock	138		3.4	2.5	56.3
125	97	Globe	118	+2	3.2	4.4	30.3
147	127	Govett Atlantic	130		4.0b	3.1	40.5
232	138	Govett Oriental	208	+1	3.3	1.6	91.7
252	184	Govett Strategy	249	+1	5.1	2.0	70.7
380	244	Greenfriar	380	+5	2.4	0.6	
325	215	Gresham House	325		6.9	2.1	34.9
194	158	Hambros	180	-2	5.4	3.4	41.9
108	104	India Fund	108				
850	540	Invest In Success	840		8.2	1.0	
284	244	Inv Cap	255		15.4	6.0	72.4
185	132	Ivory & Sime	136		6.6	4.9	16.9
63	45	Japan Assets	58½	+½	0.1	0.2	
104	80	Kleinwort Charter	98		3.5	3.6	42.2
136	110	Kleinwort O'seas	132	+2	3.6	2.7	
295	237	Kleinwort Smaller	290	●	12.0	4.1	
235	186	Law Debenture	231	-1	9.0	3.9	28.0
70	56	Lon Merchant Sec	60	●+1	3.6	6.0	12.1
71	57	Lon Trust	58		1.1	1.9	63.7
128	102	Merchants	112	●	8.4b	5.7	28.5
30½	21½	Merrill Lynch	225½	+½			
221	161	Monks	208	-1	3.7	1.8	78.5
186	128	Murray Income	147	●-1	8.6b	5.9	28.8
169	137	Murray Intl	159	+2	7.1b	4.5	31.2
344	215	Murray Small	325		3.9	1.2	
405	318	Murray Venture	403	●+1	14.3b	3.5	45.9
440	380	New Court	415		21.3	5.1	28.8
68	49	New Darien Oil	56		0.9e	1.6	51.5
212	158	328	195	-1	5.7	2.9	39.5
64	50½	Nwthrog Inc 83	62½		4.8	7.7	17.7
271	185	New Tokyo	239		1.1e	0.5	
364	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	347	-1	4.9	1.4	96.7
81	20	Nth Sea Assets	30		0.7	2.3	34.9
405	279	Nthn Amer	375		7.7b	2.1	68.5
210	145	Outwich	200		4.9	2.5	51.4
97	68	Pacific Assets	95	+2	1.0	1.1	
38	26	Do Wrnts	29				
42	35	Personal Assets	35		0.5	1.4	92.1
427	338	Raeburn	423		17.1	4.0	42.9
171	147	River & Merc	162		8.6b	5.3	29.8
288	216	River Plate	285		12.4	4.7	30.7
282	207	Robeco	282	+3			
253	181	Rolinco	253	+2			
380	257	Romney	280	+4	7.1	1.9	58.2
15¾	11½	Rorento	215½	+½			
148	118	St Andrews	146	+1	4.5b	3.2	49.7
385	297	Scottish	378	+3	8.9	2.4	65.2
93	68	Scot American	73	+1	2.6b	3.3	88.8
127	89	Scot Eastern	117	●+1	2.9	2.5	61.3
84	78	Scot Merc 'A'	82	-1			
558	402	Scot Mtge	525	+5	12.1	2.3	56.6
318	245	Scot Nat	295	+2	7.2	2.4	53.2
711	570	Second Alliance	678	●+3	26.4	3.8	33.4
92	68	Secs Tst Of Scotland	88	+1	3.9	4.4	32.7
82	67	Smaller Cos	77	-1	2.0	2.6	53.8
102	81	TR Australia	96	+3	3.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
122	95	TR City Of Lon Dfd	109		5.3b	[illegible]	[illegible]
213	155	TR Ind & Gen	209	+2	5.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
138	100½	TR Natural Res	138		8.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
101	88	TR North America	93	+1	2.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
187	118	TR Pacific Basin	175	+2	1.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
188	140	TR Property	178	+2	5.7	[illegible]	[illegible]
118	90½	TR Tech	103	+1	2.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
180	139	TR Trustees	167	+3	6.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
169	135	Temple Bar	145	+1	8.1b	[illegible]	[illegible]
305	237	Throgmorton	280	+1	11.9b	[illegible]	[illegible]
370	300	Throg Secured Cap	350				
214	157½	Trans Oceanic	201		6.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
146	112	Tribune	140		4.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
95	78	Triplevest Inc	93½		15.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
302	217	US Debenture	281	●+2	9.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
51	35	Value Inc Tst	42				
82	33	Viking Resources	38½	-½	2.8b	[illegible]	[illegible]
74	53	Westpool	65	●	2.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
109	80½	Witan	100	+1	2.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
358	285	Yeoman	335	-1	15.1b	[illegible]	[illegible]

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47⅞	34⅞	American Express	£39⅞	●+½	1.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
73	31	Argyle	73	+1			
49	21	Boustead	25	-1			
154	116	Britannia Arrow	140	●	6.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
24	13½	Daily Mail	£21	-½	78.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
20¼	12½	Do 'A'	£18¼		79.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
158	131	Electra	144	+2	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
173	80	Eng Trust	173	●	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
247	187	Exco	243	●+6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
109	85	Exploration	100	●	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
788	375	Framlington	738	●	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
94	77	Frost Gp	94	●+6	7.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
236	183	GT Management	185				
151	75	Goode (D & M)	138		2.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
905	490	Henderson Admin	905		17.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
216	153	ICH	161	+1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
440	320	MAI	385		[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
296	190	M & G	285		6.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
392	292	Mercantile House	354	+5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
127	76	Pacific Inv Tst	123		0.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
38½	18	Do Warrants	27	+3			
206	162	Smith New Court	189		10.0	5.3	7.6

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)

FOB	
Dec	125.4-25.2
Mar	138.8-38.4
May	143.8-43.2
Aug	149.6-48.6
Oct	153.6-52.8
Dec	160.0-58.0
Vol	957

COCOA

Dec	1508-07
Mar	1546-44
May	1565-63
Jul	1585-84
Sep	1604-01
Dec	1625-23
Mar	1655-52
Vol	3836

COFFEE

Nov	2370-365
Jan	2335-330
Mar	2265-260
May	2230-220
Jul	2220-215
Sep	2220-210
Nov	2220-200
Vol	5235

SOYABEAN

Oct	135.0-34.5
Dec	133.0-32.5
Feb	134.0-33.5
Apr	136.0-35.0
Jun	134.0-33.0
Aug	133.5-32.0
Oct	135.5-33.0
Vol	290

INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM EXCHANGE

GASOLINE, HEAVY FUEL OIL

Oct	73.5-73.0
Nov	76.0-74.5
Dec	80.0-78.5
Jan	83.0-77.5
Feb	86.0-77.0
Mar	94.0-77.0
Apr	98.0-77.5
May	100.0-78.0
Jun	100.0-78.0
Vol	76

GAS OIL

Oct	122.50-22.00
Nov	128.00-27.75
Dec	133.50-33.25
Jan	137.25-37.00
Feb	138.75-38.25
Mar	133.50-32.50
Apr	133.50-23.00
May	133.00-20.00
Jun	133.00-20.00
Vol	4525

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolf & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER GRADE A	
Cash	926.0-926.5
Three Months	948.0-949.0
Vol	22250
Tone	Easier
STANDARD CATHODES	
Cash	901.0-901.5
Three Months	925.0-925.5
Vol	Nil
Tone	Idle
LEAD	
Cash	280.75-281.00
Three Months	283.5-284.0
Vol	10700
Tone	Steady
ZINC STANDARD	
Cash	600.0-610.0
Vol	Nil
Tone	Idle
ZINC HIGH GRADE	
Cash	629.0-630.0
Three Months	619.5-620.0
Vol	2700
Tone	Quiet
SILVER LARGE	
Cash	390.5-391.5
Three Months	401.0-401.5
Vol	16
Tone	Idle
SILVER SMALL	
Cash	390.5-391.5
Three Months	401.0-401.5
Vol	Nil
Tone	Idle
ALUMINIUM	
Cash	802.5-803.0
Three Months	812.5-813.0
Vol	4650
Tone	Easier
NICKEL	
Cash	2565-2575
Three Months	2615-2619
Vol	354
Tone	Easier

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on October 7

GB: Cattle, 92.20p per kg lw (+1.56)
GB: Sheep 126.10p per kg* (+6.29)
GB: Pigs, 77.34p per kg lw (-0.06)
* est. dead carcase weight

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 3.1 %, ave. price, 91.43p(+1.59)
Sheep nos. down 8.0 %, ave. price, 126.03p(+6.39)
Pig nos. down 4.4 %, ave. price, 76.76p(-0.04)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 3.1 %, ave. price, 94.28p(+1.46)
Sheep nos. down 8.8 %, ave. price, 126.40p(+10.39)
Pig nos. up 0.4 %, ave. price, 80.45p(-0.54)

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Pig Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq.	102.80
Nov	Unq.	103.90
Feb	Unq.	98.50
Apr	Unq.	98.50
Jun	Unq.	98.50
Aug	Unq.	98.50
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Vol: 5

Pig Meat vol: 2

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE

Live Cattle Contract p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Oct	Unq.	94.50
Nov	Unq.	97.50
Feb	Unq.	100.00
Apr	Unq.	101.00
Jun	Unq.	100.00
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—	—	—

Vol: 2

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Nov	106.90	108.40
Jan	109.00	110.25
Mar	111.40	112.35
May	113.75	113.55
Jul	115.25	—
Sep	100.75	101.25

Volume:
Wheat 247
Barley 100

LONDON POTATO FUTURES

£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	109.00	109.00
Feb	119.00	120.10
Apr	169.50	175.10
May	187.00	190.50
Nov	85.00	85.00
—		

Vol: 1040

BIFFEX

G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point freight index

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	789.5-786.0	788.5
Jan 87	792.0-785.0	790.0
Apr 87	835.0-835.0	842.5
Jul 87	—	748.5
Oct 87	855.0-845.0	849.0
Jan 88	—	857.5
Apr 88	—	855.0
Jul 88	—	845.0

Vol: 88 lots
Open interest: 2474

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	Close
Oct 86	820.0-820.0	820.0
Nov 86	—	920.0
Dec 86	—	930.0
Mar 87	—	940.0
Jun 87	—	950.0
Sep 87	—	950.0

Vol: 13 lots
Open interest 28

Spot market commentary:
Tanker index: 804.0 down 25.5 on 8/10/86
Dry cargo index: 794.0 unchanged on 8/10/86

Portfolio Gold

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Bradon	Industrials A-D	
2	Hazlewood Foods	Foods	
3	Eurotherm	Electricals	
4	Nthn Foods	Foods	
5	Allied-Lyons	Breweries	
6	RMC	Building,Roads	
7	Brown Shipley	Banks,Discount	
8	Cambridge Elec	Electricals	
9	Apricot Computers	Electricals	
10	Br Borneo	Oil	
11	Goal Pet	Oil	
12	Dowty	Motors,Aircraft	
13	Norcros	Industrials L-R	
14	Wood (Arthur)	Industrials S-Z	
15	Wolseley	Industrials S-Z	
16	Falcon	Industrials E-K	
17	Cont Stationery	Industrials A-D	
18	AAH	Industrials A-D	
19	Argyll	Foods	
20	Manders	Building,Roads	
21	HK Shangai	Banks,Discount	
22	Blue Circle	Building,Roads	
23	Micro Focus	Electricals	
24	Burmah	Oil	
25	Hambro Countrywide	Property	
26	Carroll	Tobaccos	
27	Ford Motor	Motors,Aircraft	
28	Prestwich Hldgs	Industrials L-R	
29	Saville Gordon (J)	Industrials S-Z	
30	Jardine Math	Industrials E-K	
31	Low & Bonar	Industrials L-R	
32	TNT	Industrials S-Z	
33	Sirtec	Industrials S-Z	
34	AB Elect	Electricals	
35	Br Benzol	Chemicals,Plas	
36	Dixons Grp	Drapery,Stores	
37	Gent SR	Drapery,Stores	
38	Benlox	Industrials A-D	
39	Holt Lloyd	Chemicals,Plas	
40	WCRS	Paper,Print,Adv	
41	Hammerson	Property	
42	Lowe HS & B	Paper,Print,Adv	
43	Crowther (J)	Textiles	
44	Bolton	Textiles	

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Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £8,000 in Saturday's newspaper

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

BRITISH FUNDS

1985 High	1985 Low	Stock	Price	Chge	Int. only yield %	Gross red. yield %

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

99	94⅛	Exch 2½%	1986	99	2.5	8.889
103	95½	Exch 13½%	1987	100⅝	13.2	10.332
100⅝	95¼	Treas C10¼%	1987	98⅝	10.5	10.706
97⅝	94⅛	Exch 2½%	1987	96⅝	2.6	8.036
101½	95⅝	Exch 10¾%	1987	99⅝	10.5	10.790
98¼	93⅝	Fund 6¾%	1987-87	96⅝	6.6	9.738
101¼	95⅝	Treas 10%	1987	99⅝	10.1	10.638
97⅜	90⅝	Treas 3%	1987	94⅝	3.1	9.198
104⅜	96⅛	Treas 11¾%	1987-91	101⅝	11.9	10.691
99⅜	92⅝	Treas 7¾%	1988-88	96⅝	7.8	10.488
104⅛	93⅝	Exch 10¼%	1988	99⅝	10.6	11.088
103⅜	94⅛	Treas C9¾%	1988	97⅝	10.5	11.097
94⅜	85⅛	Treas 3%	1979-89	90⅝	3.6	11.282
102⅜	95⅛	Treas 9¾%	1989	97⅝	9.6	11.121
107⅜	93⅝	Treas 11¾%	1989	100⅝	11.4	11.251
105⅜	95⅛	Treas 11¾%	1989	100⅝	10.7	11.293
104⅛	93⅝	Exch 10¾%	1989	98⅝	10.5	11.222
102⅜	93⅝	Treas 10¾%	1989	98⅝	10.2	10.975
107⅜	94	Exch 11¾%	1989	100⅝	11.2	11.166
93⅜	84⅜	Treas 5%	1986-89	89⅝	5.6	9.349
103⅜	89⅝	Treas C9¾%	1990	97⅝	9.4	11.245
92	82⅝	Treas 3%	1990	87⅝	3.4	9.504
114⅛	103⅛	Treas 13%	1990	104⅝	12.4	11.216
88⅛	78⅛	Exch 2½%	1990	79⅝	3.1	9.279
108⅛	94⅛	Exch 11¾%	1990	99⅝	11.1	11.147
113⅛	100	Exch 12¾%	1991	99⅝	11.7	11.293
89⅛	79⅝	Treas 3%	1990	84⅝	3.6	9.498
100⅜	89⅛	Treas 9¼%	1987-90	99⅝	8.6	10.233
106⅛	92⅝	Treas 10%	1990	96⅝	10.4	11.276
112⅛	98⅛	Treas 11¾%	1991	101⅝	11.6	11.270
94⅛	84⅛	Fund 4%	1987-91	91⅝	4.4	9.190
110⅛	97⅛	Exch 11¾%	1991	99⅝	11.0	11.170
85⅛	78	Treas 3%	1991	79⅝	3.8	-

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

118⅛	103	Treas 12¾%	1992	106⅝	12.0	11 131
107⅜	91⅛	Treas 10%	1992	95⅝	10.4	11.086
105⅜	92⅛	Treas C10¼%	1992	98⅝	10.5	11.033
117⅛	100⅝	Exch 13¾%	1992	104⅝	11.7	11.178
123⅛	102⅛	Exch 13½%	1992	109⅝	12.4	11.255
106	93⅝	Treas 10¾%	1993	99⅝	10.4	10.816
121⅛	103⅝	Treas 12¾%	1993	108⅝	11.7	11.176
91⅞	79⅝	Fund 3%	1989-93	84⅝	7.7	9.884
129	110⅝	Treas 13¾%	1993	117⅝	12.3	11.297
133⅛	105⅞	Treas 14¾%	1994	116⅝	12.4	11.133
122⅛	97⅜	Exch 12¾%	1994	108⅝	11.8	11.266
127⅛	100⅝	Exch 13¾%	1994	113⅝	12.1	11.303
109¾	88⅛	Treas 9%	1994	99⅝	10.0	10.891
120	100⅝	Treas 12%	1995	104⅝	11.5	11.173
78⅝	68⅛	Gas 3%	1990-95	70⅝	4.6	8.991
114⅝	91⅛	Exch 10¼%	1995	104⅝	10.7	11.011
126	107⅛	Treas 12¾%	1995	116⅝	11.7	11.117
133⅛	112⅛	Treas 14%	1996	119⅝	12.1	11.230
103⅜	87	Treas 9%	1992-96	94⅝	9.0	10.715
142⅝	114	Treas 15¼%	1996	127⅝	12.4	11.318
130⅛	110⅝	Exch 13¼%	1996	111⅝	11.6	11.116
84⅝	74⅛	Rdmp 3%	1986	79⅝	3.8	-
106⅝	92⅝	Conv 10%	1996	99⅝	10.7	10.844
131	111⅝	Treas 13¼%	1997	121⅝	12.1	11.194
112⅝	93⅛	Exch 10¾%	1997	99⅝	10.8	10.969
101⅞	78⅛	Exch 9¼%	1997	87⅝	10.6	10.719
142⅛	118⅛	Exch 15%	1997	125⅝	12.0	11.392
88⅛	72⅝	Treas 8¾%	1997-98	79⅝	10.5	10.934
107⅞	89⅛	Exch 9¾%	1998	93⅝	10.5	10.629
148⅜	126⅛	Treas 15¾%	1998	132⅝	11.5	11.337
134⅛	105	Exch 13¼%	1998	109⅝	11.5	11.304
107⅛	88⅛	Treas 9¼%	1998	93⅝	10.7	10.761
126⅛	103⅛	Exch 12¼%	1998	108⅝	11.3	10.979
114	95⅛	Treas 10¾%	1998	98⅝	10.7	10.771
112⅛	94⅛	Conv 10¼%	1998	98⅝	10.6	10.761
133⅛	111⅜	Treas 13%	2000	115⅝	11.4	10.964
98	82	Conv 9%	2000	85⅝	10.5	10.569
111⅛	91⅛	Treas 10%	2001	96⅝	10.5	10.844
109⅛	89⅛	Conv 9½%	2002	94⅝	10.4	10.573
137⅛	117	Treas 14%	1998-01	118⅝	11.9	11.186

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

111⅝	94⅛	Conv 10%	2002	95⅝	10.5	10.585
124⅛	103⅛	Exch 12%	2002-06	106⅝	11.3	10.991
124⅛	90	Treas 9¾%	2003	92⅝	10.4	10.553
112	93⅛	Treas 10%	2003	96⅝	10.4	10.555
136⅛	116⅛	Treas 13¾%	2003-05	118⅝	11.5	10.999
123⅛	100⅛	Treas 12%	2001-04	103⅝	11.5	10.739
112⅛	94⅛	Treas 10%	2004	95⅝	10.4	10.468
60⅛	48¼	Fund 3½%	1999-04	51	6.8	9.167
108⅛	90⅝	Conv 9½%	2004	93⅝	10.3	10.574
108⅛	90⅝	Conv 9½%	2005	93⅝	10.3	10.468
117⅜	94⅛	Exch 10½%	2005	100⅝	10.4	10.488
134⅛	112⅛	Treas 12%	2005-08	114⅝	10.5	10.540
95⅝	79⅝	Treas 8%	2006-08	80⅝	10.0	10.354
123⅛	103⅛	Conv 9½%	2006	105⅝	10.1	10.554
127⅛	104⅛	Treas 11¾%	2003-07	109⅝	10.8	10.539
94⅛	83⅛	Treas 8½%	2007	85⅝	10.0	10.504
143⅛	115⅛	Treas 13¾%	2004-08	122⅝	11.3	10.941
95⅛	79	Treas 8%	2008	80⅝	10.0	10.161
93⅛	76⅛	Treas 5¾%	2008-12	78⅝	8.2	8.847
93⅛	76⅛	Treas 7¾%	2012-15	78⅝	10.0	10.048
136	113⅛	Exch 12%	2013-17	119⅝	10.4	10.228

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46⅝	36⅛	Consols 4%			16.0	
39⅝	34⅛	War Ln 3½%			10.0	
34⅛	29⅝	Treas 3½%			12.0	
34⅛	29⅝	Treas			10.0	
39⅛	34⅛	Consols 2½%			7.1	
39⅝	34⅛	Treas 2½%			10.1	

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133	114⅝	Treas 8 2%	1988	121	21	3.210
107⅜	96⅛	Treas 4 2%	1996	116⅝	2.1	3.835
125	109⅛	Treas 4 2%	1998	116⅝	2.1	3.897
107⅜	95⅛	Treas 4 2%	2001	100⅝	2.1	3.889
109⅜	95⅛	Treas 4 2%	2006	102⅝	2.1	3.949
110⅜	95⅛	Treas 4 2%	2011	103⅝	2.1	3.712
107⅜	94	Exch 4 2%	2013	99⅝	2.1	3.889
93⅜	84⅜	Treas 2½%	2006-11	88⅝	2.1	3.349
143⅛	115⅛	Treas 2½%	2016	132⅝	2.1	3.488
100⅛	79⅛	Treas 2½%	2016 A	92⅝	2.1	3.411
100⅛	86⅛	Treas 2½%	2020	92⅝	2.1	3.411

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

251	186	Allied Irish	200	-5	9.0b	4.5	5.8
85	65	Anglocheer (Henry)	78		15.0	6.3	38.4
290	185	Aus New Z	230				
12½	7½	Bankamerica	12				
260	171	Bank Of Ireland	171	-7	17.0	9.9	
11	6	Bankers Trust	6				
288	230	Bank Leumi Israel	230		17	8.7	10.7
288	230	Bank Leumi UK	230		20.7	4.8	9.4
340	264	Bank Of Scotland	334		23.1	6.1	9.2
540	410	Barclays	515		33.5	6.4	10.0
468	366	Benchmark	366	-4	23	6.2	12.0
740	410	Brown Shipley	410		17.5	4.2	24.0
438	288	Cater Allen	438		29.5	6.7	9.7
288	215	Cedar	270		29	5.1	13.2
438	345	Chase Manhattan	345		30.5	8.8	
80	49	Citicorp	80		20.6	6.4	11.9
80	49	Com Bank Wales	80		7.4	9.2	
116	80	Commerzbank	111		20.0	0.1	
114	77	Deutsche Bank	107		20.0	4.3	
217	217	Equity & Gen	217		13	6.6	28.9
217	17	First Nat Finance	17		2.6	3.6	10.4
212	148	Gerrard Nat	212	-3	22.1	8.2	8.3
378	242	Gunness Peat	378		29	3.6	12.5
162	106	Hambros	162	-2	10.5m	4.6	10.5
430	325	Hill Samuel	430		18.5	5.8	7.2
74	52	HK Shangai	74	-2	3.6	4.5	
320	315	Joseph (Leopold)	320	+10	12.5	9.1	11.7
168	135	Kwg & Shaxson	135		24.6	5.2	10.4
520	377	Lewthwt Beacon	377		26.6	5.1	9.6
494	393	Lloyds	393		37	5.6	12.2
61	56	Lon Scot	56				
153	106	Mercury Int	130		37.1	5.9	20.0
		Dc 9% A	106				
399	417	Midland	417	-10			
485	380	Morgan Grenfell	380		27.5	5.4	5.3
331	191	Nat Aust Bk	191		18.6	5.5	10.5
539	434	Nat West	434		30.6	5.5	8.5
122	80	Onyx	80		18.6	5.5	10.3
248	200	Provident	200		24	12	11.7
84	66	Rea Bros	66				

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Equities advance continues

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began on September 29. Dealings end this Friday. §Contango day next Monday. Settlement day October 20. §Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1985 High	1985 Low	Company	Price	Chge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
135	102	Rothermere (J) Nfd	123		7.1	6.8	12.8
360	285	Royal Bnk Of Scot	335		14.3	4.4	9.5
8	5¾	Scrapers	7½		1.2	2.1	13.5
536	413	Stand Chart	488		48.4	6.5	8.6
918	693	Sykes	858		52.9	7.3	8.3
77½	42½	Wells Fargo	57½	+1½			
320	220	Wilcrest	270		7.7	2.9	13.2

BREWERIES

353	248	Allied-Lyons	313	+5	13.8	4.3	14.3
580	520	Bass	580	+5	21.7	3.1	14.8
97	68	Bellhaven	72	+1	1.2	1.7	22.9
144	98	Boddingtons	117	+1	4.8	4.1	14.8
555	455	Brown (Matthew)	555		20.6b	3.7	20.7
124	58	Buckleys	118		4.1	3.5	28.9
182	144	Bulmer (H P)	155		7.5	4.8	18.6
500	466	Burtonwood Brew	500		15.4	3.1	20.6
355	280	Clark (Matthew)	280		11.4	4.1	18.0
227	185	Dewsbn (J A)	174		7.7	4.4	22.6
294	183	Greenall Whitley	294		13.7	4.7	13.0
258	183	Grosvenor Mfg	258		8.5	3.3	14.5
114	77	Hamptn Thompson	110	+1	5.7	5.1	15.7
254	217	Morland	254		9.1	3.6	14.0
151	131	SA Breweries	151				
284	150	Scott & New	284	+2	18.0	6.3	11.5
548	263	Wadc	370		18.4	4.4	14.3
316	283	Whitbread A	316	+2	11.1	4.4	11.7
283	210	Do 'B'	283	+10	11.1	4.5	11.9
251	188	Wolverhmpt Ilw	188		10.6	4.2	27.6
553	410	Workington B D	553	+2	27.4	4.9	10.1
230	155	Young 'A'	184		8.5	4.6	19.6

BUILDING MATERIALS

193	109	Abbey	173				
288	209	Aberdeen Constr	288		11.6	5.6	13.2
74	60	Amec	74	+2	16.4	5.2	14.2
211	155	Arnolds	211		9.1e		10.5
350	231	BPB Industries	350	+10	16.9	2.9	13.3
365	284	Baggeridge Brick	365		12.9	3.5	14.5
169	114	Bamford (Jos)	144		11.6	8.1	14.5
155	132	Bailey(Geo) Constr	155	+4			5.0
182	138	Bellway	182		10.7	5.8	8.6
99	80	Bett Bros	94		4.4	7.7	13.1
104	90	Blockleys	104		5.4	5.1	12.6
726	555	Blue Circle	555	+5	54.7	9.8	7.9
275	205	Braddon(Cloud Hill	205		14.6	5.6	24.0
91	61	Brdgng	77	+5	4.5	5.8	14.1
29	18	Brown & Jackson	22				30.4
58	47	Brownlee	52				
92	84	Bryant	114		3.8	3.3	38.5
27	17	Burnett & Hallam	7½		4.3	4.3	14.4
158	130	Calednread Robey	150		4.7	3.1	
128	95	Cement-Roadstone	121	-4	4.0	3.3	
128	96	Condor Grp	128	-4	2.5	1.9	18.6
500	448	Costain	518	+10	23.0	4.4	9.8
488	298	Countryside	488		25.0	11.5	
186	124	Crouch (Derek)	154		8.6	5.7	11.2
202	141	Dow (Gleeson)	202	+1	10.6	5.2	13.5
157	72	Douglas (Hld)	116		3.9	3.3	22.2
108	73	Ecc	108		4.6	4.2	20.1
78	72	Fds	78		3.5	4.5	11.5
77	53	Do A	77		3.5	4.5	11.5
172	91	Federated Hag	112	+4	5.9	5.3	11.8
78	58	Fitzer Gp	78		4.4	5.6	10.2
131	106	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	128		7.6	5.9	14.7
286	254	Gleeson (M J)	286		19.9	6.9	34.9
142	94	HAT	138		7.9	5.7	12.3
312	240	Halstd Ber	310	+2	5.4	4.0	12.9
74	47	Henderson	74				
78	58	Hewden-Stuart	67		10.0	4.9	13.7
244	144	Heywood Williams	184		2.4	3.6	11.8
193	135	Higgs & Hill	190		16.1	5.5	12.4
44	29½	Holland Slat	44		2.6	4.5	16.6
186	155	Ibstock Johnsen	172		7.1	4.1	12.9
480	395	Jarvis (J) & Sons	440		14.3	3.3	9.9
227	185	Kemp (J)	227		13.7	6.1	10.5
484	395	Do 'A'	344		10.7	3.1	9.7
122	78	Lawrence (Walter)	98		5.7p	5.1	7.4
114	77	Lilley (FJG)	77		5.5	9.5	7.5
439	280	Lovell (Y J)	439		10.2	2.3	13.5
316	178	Magnet & South	198		7.4	4.0	22.2
284	150	Maiden	310		12.6	4.1	18.8
136	101	Marley	111½		5.4	4.8	21.4
210	165	Marshalls (Halifax)	195		12.7	6.5	15.5
1	1	May & Hassell	1		0.1	8.1	
448	364	McAlpine (Alfred)	385		18.1	4.7	12.4
284	226	McCarthy & S	226	-4	4.1	1.6	19.2
272	171	Meyer Int	272	+1	8.3	3.0	12.7
98	75	Miller (Stanley)	98		1.4	3.7	
190	156	Monk (A)	190	-4	9.5	7.5	10.0
384	315	Mowlem (John)	335		20.7	5.5	11.5
174	135	Nthmbrld	135		9.5	5.6	14.2
215	163	Nottingham Brick	198		9.9	4.7	14.6
265	115	Pensimmon	215		8.0b	4.1	8.8
110	78	Phoenix Timber	78				
288	240	Pochins	288		19.4	5.3	7.8
288	240	RMC	284		20.6	5.3	14.1
191	140	Redland	191	+1	11.5	4.5	12.6
152	118	Rebecold	123		4.2	3.5	12.0
191	134½	Ruberoid	154½	-½	9.7	6.3	17.1
57	37	Rugby Cement	57		2.6	4.6	16.9
151	97	Sheffield & Fisher	151		6.8p	4.5	13.2
172	97	Stewart & Stevenson	172		6.6	3.8	12.9
158	130	Taylor Woodrow	158		8.6	5.4	12.4
178	145	Tilbury Group	178		8.6	4.8	13.4
178	145	Tilbury & Arnold	178		8.6	4.8	13.4
144	112	Trent	144		7.6	5.3	13.2
178	141	Tarmac	178	+5	11.6	6.5	11.5
104	84	Wimpey	104		5.4	5.2	10.3
215	157	Warrington (T)	215		10.4	4.8	12.3
172	135	Watts Blake	150		8.9	5.9	10.2
157	97	Western Bros	157	-1	6.3	4.0	13.5
155	41	Wilcons	155		17.5	11.3	
157	98	Wilson (Connolly)	135		13.1	9.7	10.2
220	120	Wimpey (George)	188	+5	5.5	3.0	18.2

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

48	36	AICO N/V Beanr	36		4.0	8.9	
226	186	Allied Colloids	220		12.8	5.8	22.1
242	201	Amersham	242		14.1	5.8	16.1
242	188	Anchor Chemical	238		16.1	6.7	13.6
138	108	BTP	138		8.6	6.2	16.3
111	78½	Bayer DM50	104½				
138	108	Bibby	138		16.3	8.5	16.3
189	112	Brent Chems	189		8.6p	4.6	16.6
139	97½	Br Bisicol	97				
132	108	Cawdng (W)	119		10.1	4.2	16.8
308	240	Coalite	308		16.7	5.4	10.5
169	135	Coates Bros	164		8.6	5.2	10.3
188	112	Do 'A'	150		8.6	5.7	9.4
22½	15	Cory (Horace)	21½				
144	127	Crode	134		10.0	6.5	13.5
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175	127	Ellis & Everard	175		9.6	4.5	13.5
111	100	Exode	111		6.1	5.4	12.7
299	200	Fosco-Minnop	299		12.9	5.9	12.6
171	133	Halstead (James)	171		7.1	4.2	13.2
453	338	Hickson	453		21.9	5.5	10.3
1614	724	Hoechst DM50	892				
110	88	Hor Lloyd	110		5.7	5.2	13.9
11	734	Imp Chem Ind	734		42.6	5.8	12.4
410	333	Laporte	391		12.5	3.2	15.4
116	99	Lagn	111		5.1	4.6	13.6
15½	11¼	Norsk Hydro	15½				
169	119	Plysu	169		8.5	5.3	21.3
178	62	Rdstock Hldgs	178		3.7	2.1	22.4
178	139	Ransfld	178		3.7	2.1	17.2
369	316	SMA, BPD	369				
73	36	Sutcliffe Speakman	73				5.9
207	178	Wolsenholme Rink	198		11.4	5.2	24.7
158	67	Yorkshire Chem	158		4.5	3.2	12.0

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205	178	Anglia TV A	205		13.0	4.9	14.9
52	37	Granada	52	-1	2.6	3.5	19.2
240	178	HTV N/V	240		12.1	5.1	15.4
358	293	LWT Hldgs	358		21.3	5.9	15.9
358	288	Scot TV	358		24.7	6.9	11.0
279	149	TVS N/V	279		15.6	5.6	12.3
42	31	TSW	39		2.5	6.4	12.9
261	203	Thames TV	261				
175	156p	TV-AM	175		9.6	5.5	
145	104	Ulster TV	145	-1	9.6	6.6	5.5
155	137	Yorkshire TV	149		8.9	5.9	5.5

DRAPERY AND STORES

197	90	Alexon	180		4.6	2.4	12.4
35	27	Amber Day	35				
27	14	Arcadia(Sam) A	27		2.6	1.4	22.9
278	173	Beauld (Laura)	278	+1	3.6	1.3	12.5
78	53	Beech Textile	78				27.0
78	53	Beetle (James) A	78		3.6	4.5	
128	98	Bensalls	128		5.6	4.4	25.7
16	2½	Blacks Leis	16				
884	687	Body Shop	884		9.6	0.4	68.7
174	94	Bramber	174		5.5	3.1	21.4
96	55	Brown (N)	96		2.6	2.7	19.5
174	94	Burton	174		5.5	3.1	21.4
174	94	Cantors A	174		5.5	3.1	21.4
36	24	Clarkes (S)	34		1.1	3.2	17.9
174	94	Coats Viyella	174		5.5	3.1	21.4
146	104	Combined English	146		10.4	4.9	10.1
313	210	Courts (Furn) 'A'	313		9.7	3.1	17.5
210	146	DAKS Simpson A	210		9.6	4.6	12.7
146	104	Dewhirst (JJ)	146		5.5	3.8	15.5
210	146	Dixons Grp	210		9.6	4.6	12.7
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RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY/1

Holidays on the points system

Timeshare and its several alternatives are discussed by CHRISTOPHER WARMAN, The Times Property Correspondent, in the first of two articles



Perfect peace: the Loch Monzievaird Chalets near Crieff, Perthshire

Timeshare, a method of owning weekly periods in a property at a holiday resort, is big business. There are now 1,800 resorts worldwide, 38 in the UK, catering for more than a million owners, 60,000 of them British.

It remains controversial, largely because of a few developers and agents who continue to operate an unacceptably hard-sell technique to persuade people to buy, and there have been too many reports this year of such activity, particularly in Portugal, to suggest that this problem is solved.

The timeshare industry has been trying to get to grips with the problem, but different objectives have meant that it has been unable to come together under one banner, and now there are three main umbrella organizations.

But while the focus has been on timeshare — or multi-ownership or time ownership as it is also known — there are

Non-profit-making and owned by shareholders

alternatives to this form of holiday ownership, and before looking at the latest situation in timesharing, these are worth considering.

Hapimag, a company based in Switzerland, has 1,700 holiday apartments in 11 countries worth about £100 million. It has 40,000 members, but there is no suggestion that they own any propety or part of a property. Hapimag is a non-profit-making organization owned by its shareholding members, who qualify for a holiday at one of the resorts according to their shareholding.

The minimum investment of around £2,000 buys 12 points and that could provide up to three weeks' holiday in the low season at most of the resorts. The most expensive weeks cost 24 points, which means forgoing one year's holiday.

A villa apartment in Majorca in February costs four points, Tenerife in October 16 points and August on the Côte d'Azur 24 points. Shareholders can either store up their points for up to five years or borrow one year in advance. There is an annual charge for the maintenance of the properties paid by all members in proportion to their shares.

One of the most unusual Hapimag resorts is in eastern Finland at Punkasalmi, in the middle of the Finnish lake district, where the log cabins are hidden in more than 100 acres of woodland overlooking a lake.

It provides a holiday of peace, walking, swimming, sailing, fishing and saunas. The large sauna by the lake enables the participant to leap into the beautifully clear and icy cold water as often as he likes, until the body's pores are opening and closing at will. For the more adventurous, the Russian border is not far away, and a little advance planning could enable the visitor to spend some time in Leningrad.

Hapimag, with resorts all over Europe, is now negotiating to turn Dunrobin Castle in Scotland into its first resort in the country. Details of Hapimag are available from Comser International, Orantecq House, Fairview Road, Timperley, Cheshire (061-904 9750).

Scotland is popular for all forms of time ownership, and near Crieff, Perthshire, Loch Monzievaird Chalets offers a variation on the theme — one-quarter ownership. Overlooking the loch, which is available for fishing, 10 new Scandinavian-style timber chalets have been completed, and give the quiet resort the look of Finland with hills. The two-bedroom or three-bedroom chalets, some with saunas, are fully furnished and well fitted, and the cost for a quarter share is £9,950 for two-bedrooms and £11,500 for three bedrooms.

In addition, there is an annual management fee of £500, part of which goes to a replacement fund. The quarter-year does not consist of three consecutive months, but is spread through the year, and it revolves the following year to give all owners the opportunity of savouring all seasons. The quarter share gives owners a title deed and a stake in the appreciation of the property, and mortgages of up to 85 per cent are available for the purchase.

Most owners do not require their chalet for the full time, and can let it through the resident managers of the development, Alan and Elizabeth Colquhoun, with excellent prospects of a good return, as many people come back year after year — a sure indication of its attractions.

Unlike timeshare resorts, it does not have elaborate facilities on site. Rather it is a base, though there is plenty of walking to be done within its boundaries. The surrounding countryside offers a wide range of walking, climbing, riding, golfing — and the Glenturret Distillery, reputedly Scotland's oldest, is a mere stagger down the road. Details can be obtained from Loch Monzievaird Chalets, Crieff, Perthshire (0764 2586).

The Holiday Property Bond is a scheme started three years ago, on

An increasing value for the holdings of members

similar lines to the Hapimag concept. It is an investment in holiday homes and prime securities, and interest on the securities is used for the upkeep of the properties. Bonds are purchased in denominations of £100, with a minimum initial investment of £1,000 — and £1,000 buys 1,000 points a year. That is enough to buy a week in Spain or England in January. The cost goes up to more than 6,000 points in St Maxime on the Côte D'Azur in August.

Holiday Property Bond, for which the Villa Owners Club, High Street, Newmarket, Suffolk, is the main UK agent, now has properties in Spain, Portugal, Lanzarote, Tenerife, Cyprus, Scotland, Austria and England and has just bought a château in Brittany. It has now reached £10 million in income from more than 2,000 British investors and continues to expand, with plans for property in Tuscany and Malta.

Both Holiday Property Bond and Hapimag show an increasing value for the holdings of their members. They give flexibility in holidays — they claim more so than timesharing — and make a virtue of offering "trouble-free" holiday investments.

● **Next week: The latest views within and about timesharing itself**

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY/2

£1.5m tag on good living by the park

■ Number 23, Rutland Gate, Knightsbridge, was built in 1850, an elegant London house which had some of its fine ceilings covered up in 1910, was requisitioned in the last war as a billet for troops manning the anti-aircraft batteries in Hyde Park, and converted into apartments in 1955.

It has now been meticulously restored by Peppercorn Decorations to provide a grand apartment overlooking gardens, with two magnificent reception rooms — one of which was originally the ballroom — two bedroom suites and two further bedrooms, with the high ceilings decorated with fine cornices. Knight Frank & Rutley and W.A. Ellis want £1.5m for the 36-year lease.

■ **Dormers, at Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire, was built in the 1920s overlooking the Solent for Charles Nicholson, the yacht designer. The next owner was Admiral Richard Bell-Davis, the first VC recipient in the First World War. The house, now looking for its fourth owner, has four reception rooms, five bedrooms and a self-contained flat, and is set in more than an acre of grounds with access to the beach. John D. Wood at Winchester is seeking offers around £250,000.**

Homes on the hill

■ The 24 detached houses on seven acres which originally formed part of the gardens of Witanhurst, the mansion on Highgate West Hill, shows there is no end in sight to the demand for very expensive London properties.

Although the show house has only recently been completed, 12 of the houses, costing from £750,000 to £1,250,000, have been sold to British and overseas buyers. The development, Highfields Grove, is by the Rosehaugh Copartnership, which bought the land for more than £7 million. The remaining houses are being sold through Hampton and Sons' Hampstead office. The houses, in six styles, have two reception rooms and four or five bedrooms, with individually landscaped gardens.

■ **Los Altos ought to be in Spain, but it is a modern and luxurious home on the edge of Bulstrode Park, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, built in the style of a Spanish ranch. It has two reception rooms, four bedrooms and a guest annexe, with a gymnasium complex, several outbuildings — and a helicopter hangar and helipad. The price is around £750,000 through Savills.**

Luxury in the east wing

■ For the Englishman who wishes a castle to be his home, Beedings Castle, built over 18 years from 1890, could be the answer. It is being converted into several apartments, the first of which, in the east wing, is now for sale. The east wing incorporates the tower rooms at either end, giving views in three directions towards the South and North Downs. The split-level apartment has a 25ft sitting room, a hexagonal breakfast room, a master bedroom suite and two further bedrooms. King & Chasemore's Pulborough office is asking £125,000.



Chapel Cottage, at Market Weston, near Diss, Norfolk, is a 16th-century Grade II listed building which has within its one acre of grounds a converted Methodist chapel with two bedrooms and a reception rooms. The cottage, restored by its present owner, is of timber frame construction and has a new Norfolk reed thatched roof with a life expectancy of 80 years. It has two reception rooms and two bedrooms, and retains its exposed beams and studs. The chapel has a covenant preventing its use as a boarding house or for the sale of alcohol, but otherwise it is ideal as extra accommodation or for letting as a holiday home. Strutt & Parker's Norwich office is asking for offers of more than £95,000

Battle of the Baskervilles

In a spine-chilling sequel to last week's article about houses with famous connections, it looks as if the notorious case of *The Hound of the Baskervilles* may have to be reopened as the result of new evidence which has come to light among the mansions bordering Dartmoor.

There are now two claimants to the name of Baskerville Hall where Sherlock Holmes first investigated the terrifying story and discovered "the footprints of a gigantic hound".

The case has been complicated by this new twist in the last few days when — ominously perhaps — both properties were put up for sale. First, Brook Manor, near Buckfastleigh on the southern edge of Dartmoor, came to the market through Strutt & Parker in association with Michelmore Hughes, on behalf of 92-year-old Gilbert Pie, who has lived there with his wife since 1950.

The agents proudly proclaimed that the property was the Baskerville Hall of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's story. But as soon as he heard of the claim, Nigel Paige, a solicitor, who owns nearby Hayford Hall, three miles from Buckfastleigh, issued a statement saying his house was in fact Baskerville Hall.

The facts to be laid before Holmes, who might regard the case as being at least a two-pipe problem, are these. Brook Manor, set in 97 acres of woodland, and for sale at £210,000, was built in 1656 for the Royalist Richard Cabell, a man so disliked that when he was buried in the Buckfastleigh churchyard the locals placed a large stone on his head to ensure that he could not escape to haunt the neighbourhood.

The legend is that in spite of the precautions, "Dirty Dick" was believed to have escaped from his tomb to ride his great black horse through the woods, chased by hell hounds.

These black hounds were believed to race over Dartmoor and howl around Brook House, and "to this day", the agents chillingly report, there is a stone enclosure to the side of the stables resembling a kennel which could have been used for such an animal.

Hayford Hall has the support of the American Baker Street Society for its claim to be Baskerville Hall. It is a Gothic-style hall, dating from the Edwardian era, is set in 36 acres, and has an

'The story was based on a number of houses'

asking price of around £300,000 through Jackson-Stops & Staff's Exeter office.

Mr Paige says research has backed up that view. He maintains: "I think we have the best claim. Brook Manor is not near enough to the edge of the moor to be the right house."

Bringing further evidence on behalf of Brook Manor, Robin Thomas, of Strutt & Parker, says Conan Doyle had originally intended to call the book *The Hound of the Cabells* after the notorious landowner, and wrote it after coming down to Devon and hearing of him.

Mr Thomas then becomes quite Dr Watson-like in his uncertainty and wish to please: "We know that the Sherlock Holmes story is fiction, not fact, but that it certainly interests people thinking of buying the house. I think the story was based on a number of houses. I do not think any one of us can say we are the only Baskerville Hall." Until, of course, someone — the new owner perhaps — finds the footprints of a gigantic hound.

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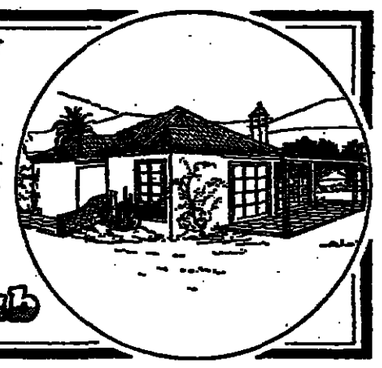
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Anonymity of justices is declared unlawful

Regina v Felixstowe Justices, Ex parte Leigh and Another

Before Lord Justice Watkins, Mr Justice Russell and Mr Justice Mann

[Judgment given October 7]

There was no statutory provision or rule entitling justices to anonymity in any circumstance and any attempt to remain anonymous was inimical to the proper administration of justice and an unwarranted and unlawful obstruction to the right to know who sat in judgment.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held granting a declaration to the applicant, Mr David Leigh, chief reporter of *The Observer*, which was also party to the application. The application was supported by the National Union of Journalists, the Guild of British Newspaper Editors and the Association of British Editors.

The applicant sought judicial review in the form of a *mandamus* directing the clerk to the Felixstowe Justices to disclose the names of the chairman and the other justices who tried the case of *R v Sangster* in April 1985; and a declaration that the policy of the justices, who also sat at Ipswich and Woodbridge, to withhold the names of justices during the hearing of cases, and afterwards, from the public and the press was unlawful.

Mr Geoffrey Robertson and Miss Heather Williams for the applicant; Mr Andrew Marsden for the justices.

LORD JUSTICE WATKINS said that there was no doubt in his mind that the policy of the Felixstowe Justices was of acute concern to the press, the more so because it was being adopted in an increasing number of other magistrates' courts and it introduced into the realm of public justice a previously unheard-of anonymity of a number of those who had taken an oath to discharge it. This was a unique anonymity in discharge of the judicial function.

The applicant contended that I the general rule that justice must be administered in public in order to allow scrutiny of the behaviour of those who sat in judgment, demanded that their identity be known by notice outside the courtroom or made available on proper inquiry;
2 that the right of the press to publish fair and accurate reports of proceedings could not properly be exercised unless it included a right to know the justices' names and their clerk had a duty to supply that information to bona fide members of the press;
3 that the justices had a statutory duty to sit in public at a known time and place;
4 that the subordinate policy of the clerks to the Felixstowe Justices to refuse to disclose the identity of the justices was in this case unlawful in that no reasonable clerk to justices could have made it, and upon an occasion in question there were no exceptional circumstances which could be said to justify refusal:
5 that the refusal to disclose, and the general policy it arose from, failed to take account of the open justice principle and public interest in court proceedings and took account of such irrelevant matters as the possibility of personal embarrassment to the chairman, the standards of court reporting, the possibility of unwelcome approaches to justices and the desire to emphasize that decision-making was collective;
6 that it could not be a matter for the discretion of the justices to decide whether or not to disclose their identities. In so far as the clerk might have a discretion to decide on the bona fides of an inquirer that decision was reviewable on general principles by this court.

The basic proposition argued for by counsel for the justices was that under the common law, justices had power to control proceedings in their own courts: see *Attorney General v Leveller Magazine Ltd and Others* ([1979] AC 440) and *R v Denbigh Justices, Ex parte Evans* ([1974] QB 759).

In controlling their own proceedings justices might for good reasons choose to remain anonymous. No statute, rule or convention demanded that they might not refuse to disclose identity.

It would be irresponsible to deny that discretion to justices seeing that some were exposed to improper behaviour by or on behalf of those they had adjudicated upon and others at times wrongly approached by the press.

It was not, the respondents maintained, the justices' policy generally to refuse bona fide requests for disclosure of the names of justices. If there was no discretion how was the request from the malicious or the malevolent inquirer to be dealt with, and how could the fears of justices of wrongful approaches being made to them be allayed?

The applicant had lost nothing by being denied the name of the chairman and had not said what benefit would arise from knowing it.

The respondents also submitted that there was something to be said for withholding the names of justices prior to a hearing so that the prosecution should be denied the opportunity of choosing which court they would like to hear a particular case.

His Lordship said that the role of the journalist and his importance for the public interest in the administration of justice had been commented upon on many occasions. No one could doubt that his presence in court for the purpose of reporting proceedings conducted therein was indispensable. Without him, how was the public to be informed of how justice was being administered in our courts?

It was to be noted from observations made by Lord Diplock in *Attorney General v Leveller Magazine Ltd* (at p449) that not only must nothing be done to discourage the fair and accurate reporting of proceedings in court, but that no exercise of the inherent power of the court to control the conduct of proceedings must depart from the general rule of open justice to any greater extent than the court reasonably believed it necessary in order to serve the ends of justice.

His Lordship could not see how it could properly be said that the ends of justice could in any respect be served by justices withholding their names from the general public or at the very least, from those who essentially were concerned with the proceedings, namely the parties to them, their legal representatives and the press present in court to report those proceedings.

There was nowhere to be found any statutory provision or rule which entitled justices to anonymity in any circumstance. The naming of a justice was scarcely referred to in legislation.

His Lordship had found two instances of it. By section 8(4) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 a report of committal proceedings might be published which contained the identity of the court and the names of the examining justices. Rule 36 of the Magistrates' Courts Rules (SI 1981 No 552(L1)) provided that any record kept in pursuance of the rule in domestic proceedings should indicate the names of the justices constituting the court by which a decision was made.

While some forms of protection against intrusion into privacy were available and often used where necessary, there could not in principle be any justification for a policy the purpose of which was to keep secret the names of justices.

Collective responsibility was not a good and sufficient reason to defeat the principle which his Lordship believed to prevail, that where open justice prevailed, so should those who did justice be known.

His Lordship would regard, and believed the general public would regard a policy such as that maintained by the Felixstowe Justices and their clerk to be inimical to the proper administration of justice and an unwarranted and unlawful obstruction to the right to know who sat in judgment.

In dealing with the applicant's *locus standi* in his application for *mandamus*, the appropriate approach in this case was for the court, in using its undoubted discretion, to decide the question of sufficient interest on each application primarily within its factual context.

The applicant had not been present in court during the *Sangster* trial. His initial inquiry about the case to the clerk to the justices was made by telephone to his deputy some three weeks later.

It was the applicant's intention to write an article commenting on certain aspects of the case including the already reported decision by or on behalf of the chairman of the bench which tried the case, to refuse to divulge his name to a *Daily Telegraph* reporter at the court.

It did not seem to his Lordship that the identity of the justices was essential or even material.

For those reasons the applicant failed to show that he had a sufficient interest in the disclosure of the justices' names, and it followed that he was not entitled to *mandamus*.

Different considerations applied for the declaration in which it was sought to challenge the lawfulness of the policy of the justices and their clerk. Within the context of the administration of justice as a whole, the policy of routine non-disclosure adopted by the Felixstowe bench and their clerk, shared in one form or another by a growing number of justices elsewhere, raised a matter of national importance.

It seemed to his Lordship that the application before this court was brought either by the applicant himself, or possibly by the press through him as guardians of the public interest in the maintenance and preservation of open justice in magistrates' courts, a matter of vital concern in the administration of justice.

In the context of the unlawful use of power without jurisdiction which his Lordship took the policy of the Felixstowe Justices and their clerk to be, a "public spirited citizen" — *per* Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, in *R v Inland Revenue Commissioners, Ex parte National Federation of Self-Employed and Small Businesses Ltd* ([1980] 1 QB 407, 422) — would have a sufficient interest in the matter of the declaration sought by the applicant.

The seriousness of his purpose was apparent and he had a sufficient interest in the subject matter of the application, and accordingly the declaration would be granted.

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Rugby Union at the crossroads: part 2 of *The Times* analysis of the amateurism debate

Why talent should have its reward

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent



Burning issue: this year's controversial series between South Africa and the rebel New Zealanders brought the professionalism argument to a head

Renaissance or reformation? Which way will rugby go over the next decade? Do we want the game to blossom, to be played at its highest pitch on international occasions, an example to all aspirants at whatever level? Or should we first ensure that all the evils perceived as having crept into the game are eradicated? Should the Augean stables be swept clean?

Whatever course one favours, there is a prerequisite. The International Rugby Football Board, meeting this week in London to discuss amateurism, are not Hercules, so whatever action they decide upon is irrelevant — unless they have the power to carry it through. Even before the board members discuss the topic upon which they are all convened, they must implement a disciplinary code, common to all, and the means to enforce it.

If we are going to have international competition — and clearly we are — then there should be guidelines for every competing nation to follow, insofar as its individual means allow. At the moment, the existing guidelines are being contorted in every conceivable way to allow for greater preparation; if you are a strong enough rugby-playing nation, invariably you get away with most infractions; if you are one of the weaker countries, you cannot, in all probability, afford special provisions anyway.

We have come a long way since the regulations on amateurism were first framed. Upon leaving Murrayfield last season, in the wake of England's record defeat against Scotland, a leading member of the Rugby Football Union said to me: "Remember, it's only a game." Morally, of course, he was right; no pastime in which men pursue a funny-shaped ball about a field is worth a light compared with some of the major issues with which we should be concerned.

Even allowing for the ennobling aspect which sport retains, permitting those of us who ambled through the coarsest of rugby, or tennis, or cricket, to identify with the best expression of our chosen sport; even allowing for the unifying effect which sport may have in a world which politicians sometimes seem intent upon dividing; even allowing for sport as an art which, at its highest point, it may reach, its importance should not be superelevated.

But in practical terms, sport is a business. It was referred to thus by the senior vice-president of the RFU earlier this season and I wonder if he may not have had his knuckles rapped for saying so, but it is true. How else can you describe something which attracts so much money, both through paying customers and sponsorship?

This is not the world which Victorian administrators envisaged. A world in which the heroes of sport are paid disproportionate sums for their skills, sums to which rugby players do not necessarily aspire but which make them aware of their worth as entertainers. Many leading players over the past decade have nurtured this seed of player as entertainer and it will not go away just because individuals who administrate the modern game wish it so.

So what does reformation involve? It depends largely on one's point of view. If reform means to make better, that could be interpreted as the restoration of traditional values, of the pure concept of amateurism within the game, placed on so high a pinnacle and so much abused. It could be interpreted as a way of making the game better by refurbishing the standards of skill and discipline, which, historically, have been one of rugby's virtues but appear now, in Britain at least, to be in decline.

I am inclined to think that what we should hope for is renaissance, the rebirth of a game sadly at odds with itself in some areas of the globe but played in others at a speed and a standard which has all too rarely been emulated. We should also bear in mind that the younger nations will wish to imitate the successful countries, to play rugby as they have seen Australians, South Africans or Frenchmen play it.

To do so, they will discover how those countries go about their preparation, how they administrate and finance their game, and they will go back home and mould their findings to their individual circumstances. If you are involved in sport at the highest level, you are involved to win, otherwise there is little point in keeping the score.

So professional rugby? No, thank you. We are looking, no doubt, at compromise on the amateur rules as they now exist, but those rules do not meet every possible concept of amateurism. They cut across no geographical and sociological barriers. Players will still come to the game because they enjoy its physical challenge, its wonderful team ethos (which should still be cherished despite the barrage of fire under which it sometimes comes), its social appeal, the intellectual complexities which it presents.

The game is wide enough to encapsulate every player's ambitions, of however low or high an order, but the higher you go, the more time and effort is required. That is where we start drawing, not necessarily dividing lines which separate the two per cent from the 98 per cent, but refining lines so that the talents of the fortunate two per cent can be recognized for the improvement, or pleasure, of the other 98 per cent.

Recognition of talent does not mean paying for it directly. The main endeavour is to try to create the circumstances in which the talent may thrive, free of external worries. It means doing what England's selectors have urged this season, giving the players the best in hotels, bill of fare, ticketing arrangements, accommodation for wives and girlfriends, a multitude of little things which mean a lot. It also means taking stock of players' employers so that they do not feel ill-used when their employee is, once again, not at his post.

It means allowing a player to use, so far as he is able, the fame his skills have won him because his moment in the limelight will be all too fleeting. There were tales from South Africa, during the tour of the New Zealand Cavaliers last summer, of players being "hired" to appear in hospitality boxes at the behest of commercial firms eager to please potential clients. Whether such tales were true, I do not know, but, frankly, I find it hard to believe that anyone would be prepared to pay a lot of money for the sometimes dubious pleasures of talking to an international sportsman.

It is the occasion and the game that draws crowds, not the individuals themselves because they can always be replaced. No matter how good one generation of players may be, the game remains long after they have gone, their memory gilded by time.

However, if players are asked to open shops, to speak on public occasions, to advertise their sport (because, otherwise, they would not have been asked in the first place), I do not see why they should not receive reasonable expenses for doing so. They are not going to make a fortune out of it and it is some compensation for the hours of driving up and down motorways, working out in long winter evenings, excusing oneself yet again for leaving work early and arriving home late.

It will also acknowledge a situation which already exists and which no one is going to stop while there are individuals, or clubs, prepared to offer money for such services. No good will be done if members of the board this week start pointing fingers at each other, saying: "We know what goes on in your country." We have all heard the stories, now handed down as gospel, about those countries which are sinks of iniquity and those which are pure as driven snow; I doubt if there is truth at either extremity and I suggest that all the leading countries are much closer, in terms of common players' practices, than is always acknowledged.

What we seek is to play the game, and to play it well. In that way we encourage others to play rugby, too. Why adopt a professional class of administrator and then divorce him from the top end of the playing community? Why not put those who are considered the best in technical terms of preparation — that is, your professional coaching staff — alongside those who are deemed your playing best? It does not necessarily make your amateur coach or selector redundant — and, goodness me, those individuals pour vast reserves of time and thought into the game and get scarcely an item of credit — but if other amateur sports can employ professional personnel to coach their teams, I do not think rugby will lose face by doing the same.

What is an amateur after all? One who is not paid for his playing performance. Every player comes to the game knowing he will not be paid for his 80 minutes of rugby; he treats the game as a diversion and, if someone offers him a job on the strength of his ability as a player and the public acclaim he receives therefrom, no one grumbles.

Put in its most basic terms, if I am an unemployed carpenter with a high public profile because of my ability to play a game and someone offers me a job worth £15,000 a year, is that so very different from taking money from an advertiser who wishes to put my face on his product, or being paid to speak at a dinner?

Moreoever, it should be possible for every country to regulate the actions of players when it comes to training and preparing for games — and by games we are talking only of representative occasions because there are very few clubs who have the money available to make cash or material inducements to players. Certainly very little can be done to circumscribe extramural activities without the participation of the beneficiaries themselves.

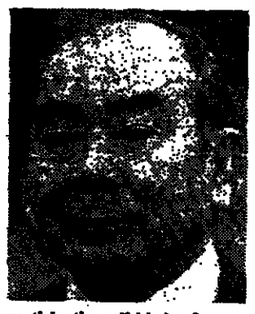
It still seems to me slightly ludicrous that the acme of the British game hitherto has been the British Lions tour, in which chosen players act like professional sportsmen for four, eight or 10 weeks and are paid, at the present rate, £105 a week on a tour in which everything relating to accommodation, and much of the hospitality, is already paid for by the host union.

The anomalies are too widespread to ignore. The amateur regulations must be simplified, they must make allowance for the ability of leading sportsmen to capitalize upon their fame, but they must be enforced. There must be an official in every country with direct access to an International Board secretariat and standing officials; the board must reserve the power to decide, define and deny.

Otherwise we will have a game played in disunity, a game abused by any country which has a mind to, and discord will be the name of the game. I wonder who the strong man will be this week among the International Board members, to stand up and take the others with him down an unfamiliar road, because I do not think we can continue our aimless meandering.

Terry McLean, my much-respected New Zealand colleague and sometime contributor to this newspaper, wrote recently of his country's rugby: "The national passion for the game has diminished. What with illicit tours and violence in play and want of decisiveness in dealing with professional, or quasi-professional, activities, the charm of the game has been weakened." If that is true of New Zealand, then we should all look to our powder. Most of all, the International Board, who are sitting, like it or not, on the powder keg.

Game will prosper so long as it remains amateur



***Shiggy Konno** (right) is chairman of the Japanese Rugby Union and manager of their current tour to Scotland and England. He is secretary of the Asian RFU and has managed tours to New Zealand, Australia, England, Wales, Italy and Canada. He was his country's delegate to the International Board centenary conference during which he offered the thoughts of one whose country is outside the board though it has some 3,000 clubs and would doubtless be an automatic choice for the recently-devised category of associate membership of the board:*

"Rugby is by design a robust game testing to the full physique and fitness, wits and will. For success rugby football demands both individual and team skill but even more, if it is to survive as an amateur game, it needs to be played in the right spirit which, I regret to say, is starting to be ignored or perhaps forgotten.

The game itself is unpretentious but, before a crowd, there is a danger that it may become a tournament for gladiators or a business for entertainers. Motives could then become mixed and produce a confusion of attitudes towards the game. Should this happen rugby football would come to have different meanings to different people.

Amity and goodwill are more important than the result of any particular match as they endure long after the match has been forgotten. Such friendship between people is the cement of unifying influence all over the world. It provides a common bond between people of all races, all classes and all levels of intelligence willing to respect the ethics as well as the laws of the game.

In the Hong Kong sevens this year there were 24 countries participating, all kinds of races, white, black, yellow, brown, all kinds of religions and speaking many different languages; on top of that they all came from different grades of rugby. However, these differences made no difference; the games were all highly competitive and in the evening players and officials from the different countries gathered, talking, singing, laughing and drinking into the early hours of the morning — just plain rugby players. There I realised how important it is for the game to remain amateur.

The Japanese union will adhere strictly to the amateur code, regardless of what the attitude of other unions may be — though I realise that it may be a more difficult problem for the International Board countries to address, especially those countries where rugby is their major sport and it is imperative that they maintain a leading position in the world of rugby.

The problems that endanger rugby concern a handful of players and we cannot sacrifice all the other rugby players just for a few. If there should be any players in Japan who violate the code, the Japan RFU is prepared to take a very strong attitude and we will suspend those players completely from rugby circles. If we wish to preserve those principles, only a very strong attitude can make it possible and once we allow a loosened interpretation, there will be no end to what may happen.

Although sponsorship under conditions has been permitted by the International Board for some years, the Japanese RFU still do not permit any sponsorship for their games or tournaments although Japanese firms are sponsors for rugby in various other countries. We also do not permit national or club teams to accept free equipment and will not allow kit to be donated by manufacturers.

Perhaps we are over-sensitive in these matters but it is our belief that we should maintain the non-sponsorship stance as long as our union can finance itself without outside help. However we do have a situation in Japan which other countries may not take as purely amateur. Most of our players work for large companies and are given time off with pay on any of the tours on which they are asked to go. All these companies have teams of their own and are very understanding. If the companies do not want the players to go on tour we will discourage the players concerned from going and even take action to see they are not selected. The companies have been very co-operative with our union and we make sure we do not abuse their good intentions. We do not even give daily allowances to players on overseas tours. We feel that as long as they are being given time off with pay by their employers, daily allowances become extra income which they should not accept. Any allowances received are pooled and used for reunion dinners or parties.

I think that, as long as we are determined to keep rugby as an amateur game, it will continue to prosper. The real rewards of the game do not rest in the silver cups and championships but in the enjoyment and lasting friendships of individual players — nothing more and nothing less."

Time to lift the burden on players

Andy Dalton, sometime captain of official and unofficial New Zealand teams: "They have got to come down to a reimbursement situation where it's going to cost players nothing to play. At present it's a game in which you have to have a benefactor — either a jolly good business to fall back on or an employer who is going to support you." They are not going to keep players in the game for any length of time while they (the players) are suffering an economic burden."

Albert Ferrasse, president of the French Rugby Federation: "I have been most concerned about the feasibility of a continuing co-existence between the amateur rugby status which I believe is, and remains, paramount to the ethos of the game and the economic restraints on players at the top level."

Alan Jones, coach to Australia: "It's not professionalism for a player's out-of-pocket expenses to be paid for attending an extra training session. No person should be paid for playing the game but no person should be out of pocket as a result of playing."

Bob Watkins, president of the United States Rugby Union: "We must modernize the system in relation to the demands and direction of the sport. This does not mean abandon the amateur philosophy but more likely a non-professional compromise."

Andy Ripley, Rosslyn Park, England and British Lions No. 8 and occasional poet: "There is, of course, a cost involved in change. The cost would be the loss of something fairly intangible — something to do with doing one's best, not being too concerned about numbers, about enjoying oneself and making friends. Which is a heavy price but it is less heavy than having the top end of the game hijacked by people whose sole interest is their immediate net profit."

Irish yearn for a return to integrity

By Chris Than



"Some have made attempts to single out Ireland as intransigent and out of touch, living in an ivory tower. That's far from true. We live in the real world. We want to preserve the amateur principles of the game but we recognize the pressures and the economic realities of our time."

The speaker is Sir Ewart Bell (right), president of the Irish Rugby Union and a man not unaccustomed to diplomacy in his role as one of Northern Ireland's most distinguished civil servants. It is his union who have been cited most frequently as standing out against change, against the World Cup.

The Irish feel that the International Board must be given teeth, to which end they have put forward a set of proposals which, if adopted, could have far-reaching consequences. There has been a significant change in the Irish position and Sir Ewart acknowledges it: "The IRFU have, wrongly, resisted changes which have been legitimate, like writing books. I always believed that players coming to the end of their playing careers should be allowed to share their knowledge of the game."

There is compromise, too, on the vexed question of broken time, as expressed by Jimmy Nelson, the IRFU treasurer: "We are not against broken time," he said. "We don't want to have players out of pocket at the end of a tour, but what we wouldn't have is people making money out of rugby. We are not prepared to turn the game upside down for the sake of the top 150 players in the world.

An International Board able to control developments within the world of rugby is the answer to the present predicament in Sir Ewart's view: "Control means resources, staff, expertise and authority. If you have resources and expertise you naturally command authority." But he believes, too, that one of the functions of this week's meeting will be to rebuild confidence badly shaken by the New Zealand Cavaliers tour to South Africa during the summer.

"That old relationship, the club of gentlemen, has broken down," he said. "In order to carry on we must first rebuild this relationship, re-establish the principles which had governed our activity. There must be trust, there must be integrity, there must be organization."

There is little sympathy in Ireland for South Africa's part in that tour. "We understand the difficulty rugby is facing in South Africa because of the political situation out there," Sir Ewart said. 'We went on tour to the republic in 1981 and came in for a lot of criticism, but we did it regardless. We had sympathy and feelings for our opposite numbers in South Africa and for their attempts to achieve racially integrated rugby. But a lot of that sympathy and feeling for them has dissipated now because integrity has broken down."

Whether Ireland's proposals for the future go far enough remains to be seen. What may be regarded as a shift in their position regarding amateurism may be perceived by others as coming too late. Asked about this, Sir Ewart hesitated. "Yes" he said after some thought, "it may be late for the southern hemisphere but not for the northern one."

RACING: MINSTRELLA'S CONNECTIONS LODGE OBJECTION TO JOCKEY CLUB OVER NEWMARKET DECISION

Orient Line to keep Eddery and Hannon in the limelight

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Ridden by Pat Eddery, whose sang froid, strength and overall judgment has never been seen in a more vivid light than it was in Paris on Sunday when he won the Prix de l'Abbaye on Double Schwartz in addition to the Arc on Dancing Brave, **Orient Line** is napped to continue trainer Richard Hannon's own memorable season by winning the BBC Radio Leeds Stakes at York today.

From the first crop of Capricorn Line, whose better achievements included a victory in the Lonsdale Stakes on Knavesmire in the summer of '82, Orient Line proved that today's distance of seven furlongs was well within his range when he won a similar nursery at Newbury last month. That followed a victory over a furlong shorter at Folkestone, where Eddery was his partner.

Normally I would think twice about plumping for a horse whose weight has been increased by a penalty as great as 10lb. But in this instance I do not hesitate to suggest that Orient Line is the type to defy that penalty and win his third race in succession.

Even with this penalty, he is still marginally better in in today's race with 8st 11lb than he is in a similar race at Ascot on Friday at Ascot where the handicapper has had time to reassess him in light of that Newbury win. No wonder then that Hannon has settled for today's opportunity.

With only two races on which to base a judgement, King Krimson may also have been under-rated. He could do no more than win at Newmarket in August when he accounted for the hot favourite Green Veil. However at a difference of 5lb I much prefer Orient Line in this instance.

Earlier in the afternoon Eddery can also win the BBC Radio York Maiden Auction Stakes on **Silk Topper** who revealed a degree of promise first time out at Newbury when he finished seventh in the race won by New Attitude.

Later in the day, though, I am inclined to wonder whether Mill Plantation, the champion elect's ride in the BBC Radio Cleveland Handicap, will manage to beat John Dunlop's chosen representative, **Lyphlaw**.

Significantly, Dunlop has decided to run this improving colt, who has won his last two races at Ripon and Ayr, instead of his other four-day acceptor, Sultan Mohamed, who looked to have an even better chance following that authoritative victory in a much more valuable race run over the same course and distance at the previous meeting.

With the ground riding good and fast, **Rotherfield Greys**, who showed such a blistering turn of foot to beat Clantime, Imperial Jade and Dublin Lad on the course in July, can make a triumphant return in the Barclays Unicorn Trophy, even with his weight bolstered by a penalty he picked up for winning a similar race at Goodwood 10 days ago.

On the jumping front, Cheltenham's first meeting of the season features the reappearance of Charcoal Wally in the Studd Challenge Cup Chase. Charcoal Wally accounted for all but Oregon Trail in that memorable race for the Arkle Challenge Trophy on the first day of this year's National Hunt festival way back in March.

Well that I expect to see him go on ground that he relishes and clearly suits his free-running style, I still doubt him giving 12lb to **Captain Dawn**, who has already run up a treble at Fontwell this autumn.

By finishing second to Pearlyman in the Grand Annual Challenge Cup on the first day of the same festival meeting, Captain Dawn too showed that the formidable Cheltenham fences hold no terrors for him. And now he has fitness on his side.

Cloncormick, ridden by the experienced Mark Bradstock, who is Fulke Walwyn's assistant at Saxon House in Upper Lambourn, is my selection to win the Ajax Amateur Riders Handicap Chase following that heartening run behind Scots Nogger at Huntingdon where his jumping was a revelation.

Pellincourt, who won a tough handicap on the Flat at Brighton in July, could hardly have begun the jumping season better than when he won first time out at Warwick, a victory achieved despite the fact he overjumped and stumbled on landing over the last hurdle.

Now I expect him to prove too strong for New Romney in the first division of the Gotherington Novices' Hurdle, even though the latter ran well first time out against Parang at Stratford. New Romney tends to pull too hard for his own good and I think that he will be a sitting duck when Pellincoart comes to challenge.



Charcoal Wally, who makes his seasonal reappearance at Cheltenham today in preparation for a tilt at the Breeders' Cup Chase in Maryland on November 1

US prize may lure European chasers

By Christopher Goulding

For the first time this year, a Breeders' Cup race will be run for steeplechasers. The event will take place at Fair Hill, north Maryland, on November 1. The three British entries are Very Promising, Insular and Charcoal Wally.

The two mile three furlongs race will be run over 16 plastic fences with the winner receiving £84,500 and prize money extended down to sixth place. The top prize in England last season was £57,000 for the Grand National winner.

Very Promising is the class horse of the English trio. David Nicholson, his trainer, said: "The prize money attracted me to the race but I am waiting to see if the Americans will help us with the travel expenses before I decide whether or not to run. They have offered the European horses a total of $20,000, which does not come to a lot if that is divided between half a dozen horses. It will cost us around £20,000 to send him.

"It is a good track. I was over there for the jockeys' challenge two years ago. I think National Hunt racing in America needs us — they are trying to put it on the map. We will know in a couple of weeks if we are going. If not we go for the Mackeson Gold Cup at Cheltenham. After all, what is the point of paying £20,000 to win £80,000, when I can pay £200 and win £20,000 here."

No firm decision has been made regarding Insular, who carries the colours of the Queen on the Flat and the blue and buff silks of the Queen Mother over the jumps.

Ian Balding, the gelding's trainer, said yesterday: "We have not made up our minds yet. He will run on the Flat at the weekend and may have an outing over hurdles to see if he is in top form."

Charcoal Wally, trained in the West Country by Ron Hodges, makes his seasonal debut today at Cheltenham in the Studd Challenge Handicap Chase. Hodges said: "The owner, James Mursell, is keen to go. We gather the track and the likely fast ground will suit him."

A strong entry from Ireland is made up of Herbert United, Winning Nora, The Right Touch and Son Of Ivor. The French have 10 horses entered, the best of which is Gacko.

Bannerol doubt is blow to Abdulla's Cesarewitch hopes

From Michael Seely, Naas

Khaled Abdulla's hopes of repeating Dancing Brave's glorious win in Paris with Bannerol in the Tote Cesarewitch at Newmarket on Saturday receded sharply yesterday when Guy Harwood announced at Goffs Sales in Kildare that the impressive winner of his last three races was likely to miss the second leg of the autumn double.

"Bannerol is coughing and must be regarded as a very doubtful runner," said the Pulborough trainer. "Brightner and Shipbourne are also unlikely to go so El Conquistador could be my only starter in the big race."

Confirming that Dancing Brave has arrived home in tremendous fettle, Harwood commented: "We won't be doing anything serious with him for a day or two until he has had a slight rest".

Abdulla was also inspecting yearlings with Jeremy Tree and Grant Pritchard-Gordon, his manager. "Sunday was a marvellous day," he said. "I shall be very lucky if I ever own a colt like him again."

Discussing his decision to replace Greville Starkey with Pat Eddery, he said: "It was a very, very hard thing to do. The Breeders' Cup was foremost in my mind as Pat knows the sharp American tracks so well. And don't forget I have to consider my duty to the shareholders as well as to such a brilliant colt".

Talking about his decision to syndicate Dancing Brave for $500,000 a share before the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, Abdulla went on: "Stallions are over-priced. I decided to be realistic and give the horse every chance of getting as many good mares as possible. Of course he's worth much more after the Arc but a nomination fee will be fixed in due course by the syndicate committee."

Both Abdulla and the Maktoum brothers are to be congratulated on their new policy. Both Rainbow Quest and Green Desert, for example, are reasonably priced at £25,000 per nomination.

Vincent O'Brien, the master trainer of the post-war era, was in agreement with Abdulla's Arc decision. "He had no choice but to put Pat up," O'Brien said. "He rode the horse with such sublime confidence and with such an iron nerve. That's the difference between the top and the very top men."

Luca Cumani was also at the sale. Discussing his plans for his promising two-year-old, the Newmarket trainer said: "I shall choose between White Mischief and Gold Fee for the Rockfel Stakes at Newmarket and the Rochford Thompson Stakes at Newbury. Imperial Frontier will also go to Newbury for the Horris Hill Stakes." Cumani added that Dallas, his Cambridgeshire winner, would not run again this year.

Before leaving his home in the Isle of Man to fly to the sales, Robert Sangster said: "I've got to try and find 35 yearlings to send to Michael Dickinson at Manton. This time I'm going to put the emphasis more on speed and less on stamina when it comes to picking them. It's been putting too much pressure on him, having sent him so much backward stock." To date the former champion National Hunt trainer has only sent out three winners from his £14 million training complex in Wiltshire.

Cheveley Park appeal

The connections of Minstrella, who finished second to Forest Flower in the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket last week, have decided to appeal against the result. A date has not yet been fixed for the inquiry.

At Newmarket, John Reid, Minstrella's jockey, lodged an objection for "bumping and boring at the two-furlong marker." The stewards allowed the result to stand but Reid had his deposit returned.

Charlie Nelson, Minstrella's trainer, commented at Goffs sales in Ireland last night: "No one likes objecting but the rules are very strong about the difference between deliberate and accidental interference. My solicitor, Matthew McCloy, made the decision on behalf of the owner, myself and the jockey, after he watched the camera patrol film at Portman Square. Don't forget, they made the rules, not us."

Moorhead banned for five years

David Moorhead has had his licence to train suspended for five years by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee after an inquiry at Portman Square yesterday. Moorhead was found to have altered the passports of two horses.

The trainer admitted being in breach of rule 201(v) and 201(vi) and was also found to be in breach of rule 220(iii). These rules relate to "deliberately or overtly misleading the Jockey Club; being guilty of conspiring to or conniving at any corrupt or fraudulent practice in relation to racing; and damaging the interests of horse racing."

Moorhead began his racing career as an amateur jockey in Ireland, where be became champion. After five years be turned professional, and shortly afterwards moved to Britain to ride for Ken Oliver. He turned freelance after a couple of seasons, but after a bad fall at Perth in 1975 retired from the saddle.

He began training at Middleham two years later and enjoyed his best season last term with 10 winners. Moorhead recently moved to Bill Clay's old yard in Uttoxeter with 26 Flat and National Hunt horses.

● At a separate inquiry, Mark Usher was fined £1,000 for running horses which had not been in his stable for the required two weeks.

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Selections

By Mandarin: 2.15 Its Been Rumoured. 2.45 Silk Trooper. 3.15 Rotherfield Greys. 3.45 ORIENT LINE (nap). 4.15 Castle Rock. 4.45 Lyphlaw.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.15 —. 2.45 Silk Trooper. 3.15 Rotherfield Greys. 3.45 King Krimson. 4.15 Galesa. 4.45 Samhaan.

By Michael Seely: 3.15 Bollin Emily. 3.45 Orient Line. 4.45 LYPHLAW (nap).

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.45 MAGIC TOWER (nap).

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM (CD,BF) (Mrs J Ryley) B Hall 9-10-0 .... B West (4) 88 7-2

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell P-pulled up U-unseated rider B-brought down S-slipped up R-refused). Horse's name (B-blinkers V-visor H-hood E-eyeshield C-course winner D-distance winner CD-course and distance winner BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating. Approximate starting price.

Going: good to firm — **Draw: low numbers best**

2.15 BBC RADIO SHEFFIELD SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,172: 6f) (23 runners)

2	(16)	000010	PILGRIM PRINCE (D) (C Cyzer) M Usher 9-3	M Wigham	96	10-1
3	(23)	422102	THE MAGUE (D) (Miss L Siddall) Miss L Siddall 9-3	Paul Eddery	86	8-1
4	(17)	000002	WHISTLING WONDER (M Brittain) M Brittain 9-3	A Munro (7)	91	—
7	(14)	001	ITS BEEN RUMOURED (D) (T Ramsden) R Simpson 9-0	S Whitworth	90	F7-2
8	(8)	201000	LADY BEHAVE D (Mrs E Jackman) R Hannon 9-0	Pat Eddery	95	4-1
9	(2)	300000	SWYNFORD PRINCESS (Qualitair Hotels Ltd) K Stone 9-0	G Brown	73	—
10	(22)	003	BURCROFT (R Lee) R Whitaker 8-11	D McKeown	95	12-1
11	(15)		EDENTHORPE (Hippodromo Racing) M W Easterby 8-11	M Hindley (3)	—	—
12	(1)	340000	GWYNBROOK (B) (Mrs E Rhind) M W Easterby 8-11	P Robinson	88	—
13	(21)		HARRYAKER (H Atkinson) W Haigh 8-11	N Day	—	—
15	(11)	000	HIGHLAND LODGE (W Ponsonby) P Cole 8-11	T Quinn	● 99	6-1
16	(13)	0000	MR BERKELEY (B) (County Properties & Dev Ltd) C Tinkler 8-11	M Birch	90	10-1
21	(7)	000000	TAKE EFFECT (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-11	K Darley	91	—
22	(10)	004	WHITE OF MORN (B) (P Durkan) M McCormack 8-11	W Wharton	89	—
26	(5)	000000	GARDENIA LADY (B) (W Spink) T Barron 8-8	D Nicholls	90	—
28	(3)	000000	JEAN JEANIE (B) (R Taylor) J Rowlands 8-8	J Lowe	91	—
29	(18)	00342	LEVEN LASS (BF) (Mrs D Lamb) I Vickers 8-8	R Cochrane	94	9-2
30	(4)		LING GOLD (A Watson) M H Easterby 8-8	K Hodgson	—	—
34	(6)	200400	OUR HORIZON (P Thompson-Hill) T Barron 8-8	N Carlisle	91	—
35	(12)	0	RAUNCHY RITA (T Whitfield) I Vickers 8-8	R Cochrane	—	—
36	(20)	3330	RHABDOMANCER (R Henley) J W Watts 8-8	T Ives	92	12-1
38	(9)	00	SALOP ROUGE (B) (P Doherty) W Haigh 8-8	S Lawes	—	—
39	(19)	020200	SHADY BLADE (B) (M Hall) K Stone 8-8	C Dwyer	79	—

FORM ITS BEEN RUMOURED (8-8) backed from 33/1 to 11/1 before beating LEVEN LASS (8-8) 1½l at Yarmouth (6f, £887, good, Sept 16, 12 ran). LEVEN LASS (8-11) had previously finished 5l 4th of 10 to Print (9-0) in Hamilton maiden (5f, £685, good, Sept 1). MR BERKLEY (9-0), blinkered for the first time here, ½l back in 5th. BURCROFT (8-11), slowly away, ran on to finish 2l 3rd to Derwent Valley (8-11) in seller over course and distance (£5681, good to firm, Aug 20, 20 ran). WHITE OF MORN (9-0) 4½l 4th to Singing Partner (8-11) in moderate Bath maiden (5f, £1918, good to firm, Sept 22, 13 ran). OUR HORIZON (8-7) 7th in nursery last time time with SWYNFORD PRINCESS (7-10) behind, first time out (8-5) fast-finishing 3l 2nd to Crofters Cline (8-8) at Beverley (5f, £908, good, May 17, 22 ran). RHABDOMANCER (8-7) was head back in 3rd and THE MAGUE (8-8) out of first 9. Selection: BURCROFT.

2.45 BBC RADIO YORK MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £4,357: 1m) (16 runners)

2	(12)	00	NIGHT VISITOR (Racegoers Club) M McCormack 8-11	W Wharton	74	—
4	(10)	0	SILK TOPPER (H Herbert) W Hastings-Bass 8-11	Pat Eddery	—	F9-4
5	(6)		BOCATOWER (J Austin) G Harwood 8-8	G Starkey	—	10-1
6	(13)	30	BUCKRA MELLISUGA (Abigail Ltd) J Toller 8-8	G Duffield	95	—
10	(5)	044	MAC'S MAESTRO (B) (M McDonnell) W O'Gorman 8-8	T Ives	82	7-2
11	(11)	00	MAKING HISTORY (M Foustok) M Albina 8-8	R Cochrane	76	12-1
13	(3)	0	SPOILED BRAT (J Asture) L Piggott 8-8	S Cauthen	93	—
14	(15)	40	BEAT STREET (R Richards) C Brittain 8-5	T Williams	93	5-1
16	(1)	40	BOLD TANGENT (Tangent Industries Ltd) M Usher 8-5	C Rutter (3)	● 98	—
18	(4)	24	BRIMUR (Mrs M Haggas) J W Watts 8-5	B Thomson	87	9-2
20	(9)	00	DRESS UP (T Kindon) M H Easterby 8-5	M Birch	—	—
21	(7)	00400	FOURTH LAD (Mrs L Davies) R Hannon 8-5	W Carson	89	—
29	(3)	000	SAY YOU (T Sandgren) Pat Mitchell 8-5	J Reid	—	—
36	(16)	300	IN A SPIN (R Hebb) M Brittain 8-2	K Darley	86	—
37	(8)	0	LONDON CRIES (W Jefferds Jun) B Hills 8-2	M Hills	—	8-1
39	(11)	00	MR CHRIS CAKEMAKER (CDL 44 Foods Ltd) M Naughton 8-2	R Hills	—	—

FORM SILK TOPPER (8-11) should improve on a 16l 7th to New Attitude (9-0) at Newbury (7f, £4451, good to firm, Aug 16, 27 ran). BUCKRA MELLISUGA put up his best effort first time out (9-0) when 1½l 3rd to Roman Gunner (9-0) in a Newmarket maiden (7f, £4484, good, Aug 22, 16 ran). MAKING HISTORY (8-11) was still a shade backward when 8½l 5th to Three Tails (8-11) at Leicester (1m, £964, firm, Sept 27, 16 ran). SPOILED BRAT (9-0) made significant late headway when 4½l 5th to the well regarded Noble Minstrel at Leicester (7f, £2794, firm, Sept 23, 15 ran). BOLD TANGENT (9-0) was running on over 6f at Goodwood last time when 2l 5th to Native Dress (9-0) (£2335, good, Sept 29, 18 ran). BRIMUR (8-11) ran green at Nottingham (6f) behind Fourwalk, better judged on a 1½l 2nd to Murphy (8-11) at Catterick (7f, £822, good, Aug 14, 12 ran). Selection: BUCKRA MELLISUGA

3.15 BARCLAYS UNICORN TROPHY HANDICAP (£4,149: 5f) (12 runners)

1	(9)	110101	ROTHERFIELD GREYS (CD) (Mrs D Gleeson) A Hide 4-9-13 (7ex)	J Leech (7)	97	F5-2
2	(1)	030/000	ALL IS FORGIVEN (CD,B) (Mrs I Norman) D Thom 6-9-10	G Sexton	88	—
5	(7)	423429	BOLLIN EMILY (V,CD) (Mrs N Westbrook) M H Easterby 5-9-1	M Birch	95	4-1
10	(6)	103000	BE LYRICAL (D) (J Greetham) G Pritchard-Gordon 4-8-6	G Duffield	94	10-1
13	(3)	200010	CHINA GOLD (D) (Mrs D Ibbotson) Miss L Siddall 7-8-4	M Wood 3	95	6-1
14	(4)	2-00340	STEEL CYGNET (D) (R Coombe) Pat Mitchell 3-8-3	J Reid	94	—
15	(12)	032003	IBERIAN START (CD) (Mrs J Hazell) T Barron 3-8-3	W Carson	95	8-1
16	(10)	301000	GEORGE WILLIAM (D) (C Naden) M McCourt 5-8-2	B Thomson	97	12-1
17	(11)	112000	MUSIC MACHINE (D) (A Pitler) P Haslam 5-8-2	T Williams	98	—
18	(8)	311300	CELTIC BIRD (D) (J Cooke) A Balding 6-7-13	A Mackay	95	—
19	(5)	000482	TOBERMORY BOY (CD) (C Longbottom) R Whitaker 9-7-12	N Carlisle	● 99	9-2
20	(2)	040040	PERGODA (B,D) (H Charlton) I Vickers 8-7-8	G Bardwell (7)	96	—

FORM ROTHERFIELD GREYS (9-8), back from a 2 month break, beat Bonny Light (8-1) a decisive ½l at Goodwood, STEEL CYGNET (8-5) 3½l back 5th and going on at the finish, MUSIC MACHINE (8-4) weakening quickly after leading through the first quarter-mile (5f, £3047, good, Sept 29, 14 ran). BOLLIN EMILY still looking for her first win of the season, (8-8) chased home Felipe Toro (8-2) at 4l distance in the Portland at Doncaster (5.5f, £13149, good, Sept 11, 23 ran). GEORGE WILLIAM one withdrawn under orders there, earlier (8-7) beat Jackie Blair (7-10) ¾l at Sandown (5f, £3158, good, Aug 30, 13 ran). IBERIAN START (9-6) blinkered for the first time when 1¾l 3rd to Rambling River (9-3) at Haydock with CELTIC BIRD (9-2) and CHINA GOLD (9-7) weakening in the closing stages to be 6th and 8th respectively (5f, £3424, firm, Oct 3, 13 ran). TOBERMORY BOY (7-10) 3l runner-up to Roysia Boy (7-11) at Haydock (6f, £7816, firm, Oct 4, 13 ran). Selection: TOBERMORY BOY

3.45 BBC RADIO LEEDS NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,724: 7f) (10 runners)

4	(10)	042	SUNORIUS (E Turner) J Glover 9-7	D McKeown	91	10-1
5	(7)	01	KING KRIMSON (K Al-Said) J Hindley 9-2	M Hills	95	7-2
7	(4)	10000	PENANG BEAUTY (K Lim) E Eldin 9-1	A Mackay	92	—
11	(2)	101042	CLOWN STREAKER (Exors of late W Steels) M H Easterby 8-11	M Birch	89	8-1
12	(1)	0211	ORIENT LINE (J Lazzari) R Hannon 8-11	Pat Eddery	96	F3-1
14	(3)	420	KINGS VICTORY (BF) (D Hasmatali) M Usher 8-10	C Rutter (3)	97	5-1
16	(5)	0424	ROUGH DANCE (BF) (Mrs F Allen) W Jarvis 8-9	R Cochrane	92	6-1
17	(6)	000	YOUNG SNUGFIT (A Greenwood) M W Easterby 8-7	P Robinson	86	—
20	(8)	040002	BEAU BENZ (T Bennett) M H Easterby 8-3	J Lowe	● 99	10-1
22	(9)	230	WINDMEDE (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-1	K Darley	96	—

FORM SUNORIUS ½l 2nd to Lucayan Knight at Nottingham (6f), previously (9-0) 3l 3rd of 10 to Something Extra (9-0) there (6f, £1725, good, Aug 12). Favourite KINGS VICTORY was 2¾l back in 6th, failing to reproduce the form that saw him (8-0) run Chilibang (9-0) to 1l there (6f, £1473, good to firm, July 28, 9 ran). KING KRIMSON (9-0) beat Green Veil (9-0) 1l at Newmarket, although in a slow time (6f, £3763, good Aug 23, 9 ran). CLOWN STREAKER (9-6) ran on when beaten a head by Shuttlecock Girl (8-12) at Catterick (6f, £1694, good, Aug 14, 10 ran). ORIENT LINE (7-7) overcame trouble in running to win Newbury nursery by 1½l from Plague O'Rats (8-10) (7f 60yds, £4344, good, Sept 19, 13 ran). ROUGH DANCE (9-3) beaten ¾l into 4th by Last Stand (9-0) in Yarmouth claimer (7f, £2495, good, Sept 17, 19 ran). YOUNG SNUGFIT is bred to improve considerably at this trip on the best of his 5f form, and Haydock 10th (9-0) to Paparelli (9-0) last time (£2824, good, Sept 6, 18 ran). BEAU BENZ (8-1) ½l 2nd of 13 to Thank Havon (8-9) at Catterick (7f, £4806, good to firm, Sept 20). Selection: KING KRIMSON

4.15 BBC RADIO HUMBERSIDE STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,277: 1m 6f) (8 runners)

2	(5)	022031	POKEY'S PRIDE (Mrs M Mann) R Sheather 9-3	M Rimmer	91	6-1
4	(2)	0	CAESAR IMPERATOR (R Diley) R Akehurst 9-0	A Clark	87	—
5	(8)	0-02	CASTLE ROCK (Lavinia Duchess Of Norfolk) J Dunlop 9-0	W Carson	98	F7-4
7	(1)		FEBRINO (Dowager Lady Beaverbrook) C Brittain 9-0	G Baxter	—	10-1
8	(6)	30	IN CONTENTION (Profiles Carlton Ltd) J Wilson 9-0	G Duffield	—	—
9	(7)	03	KAFARMO (M Kayali) G Harwood 9-0	G Starkey	85	7-2
15	(4)	00-02	GALESA (BF) (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 8-11	S Cauthen	● 99	5-2
17	(3)	030604	TURINA (Razza D Olgiata) E Incisa 8-11	M Beecroft	74	14-1

FORM POKEY'S PRIDE lacks a turn of foot but (8-8) came with a steady run to beat Show Wizard (8-8) ½l at Redcar (1m 6.5f, £706, good to firm, Sept 16, 210 ran). KAFARMO (8-8) was 2½l back in 3rd. CASTLE ROCK (9-0) one-paced 3l runner-up to Call To Honor (9-0) here (1m 4f, £3363, good to soft, Sept 3, 7 ran). He is a half-brother to Gold Cup winner Ragstone and will appreciate the trip. GALESA steps up half-a-mile after (8-11) a running on 5l 2nd to Magic Vision (8-11) at Sandown (1m 2f, £1976, good to firm, Sept 24, 11 ran). Selection: GALESA

4.45 BBC RADIO CLEVELAND HANDICAP (£2,972: 1m 2f 110yd) (6 runners)

4	(2)	10-0010	MILL PLANTATION (C) (E Moller) G Wragg 7-9-7	Pat Eddery	85	3-1
8	(3)	003311	LYPHLAW (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 3-9-0	W Carson	94	F5-2
9	(8)	400132	HAWARDEN (B,BF) (A Clore) B Hills 3-8-13	B Thomson	94	7-2
10	(5)	213230	SAMHAAN (B) (O Zawawi) B Hanbury 4-8-11	R Cochrane	96	5-1
19	(4)	0-40234	MAGIC TOWER (Miss M Carrington-Smith) C Brittain 3-7-12	T Williams	● 99	8-1
20	(6)	000000-	THE LODGE PRINCE (Qualitair Hotels Ltd) K Stone 4-7-11	P Burke (7)	89	10-1

FORM MILL PLANTATION (9-11) is lightly raced this season: not disgraced behind Rana Pratap last time, previously beat First Dibs (8-9) a head at Yarmouth (1m 2f, £3153, good to firm, July 1, 9 ran). LYPHLAW chases a hat-trick after victories at Ripon and, most recently, at Ayr (9-3) when a 3l winner from Hehetta (9-0) (1m 2f, £1874, soft, Sept 20, 7 ran). HAWARDEN (10-11) ¾l 2nd to Tawrl (10-1) in a Goodwood Amateurs event last time (1m 2f, £2352, good to firm, Sept 13, 12 ran). SAMHAAN (7-7) apprentice ridden when 6½l 6th to subsequent Cambridgeshire runner-up Power Bender (8-1) last time, previously (8-8) 1½l 3rd to Wild Hope (7-10) at Haydock (1m 2f 131yds, £4156, good, Sept 6, 9 ran). MAGIC TOWER'S best run was at Nottingham (8-11) when ¾l 2nd to Bananas (9-0) on 12th August (1m 2f, £1372, good, 12 ran). Selection: MAGIC TOWER

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
J Dunlop	32	195	30.5	Pat Eddery	59	298	19.8
G Wragg	13	65	20.0	W Carson	57	297	19.2
P Cole	9	50	18.0	T Quinn	8	45	17.8
B Hanbury	11	62	17.7	R Hills	7	43	16.3
B Hills	24	177	13.6	T Ives	19	175	16.3
J Hindley	8	61	13.1	M Hills	10	63	15.9

CHELTENHAM

Selections

By Mandarin

2.00 Pellincourt. 2.35 Cloncormick. 3.10 High Renown. 3.45 Polly's Pal. 4.20 Captain Dawn. 4.55 Paris Match.

Going: firm

2.0 GOTHERINGTON NOVICE HURDLE (Div I: £1,402: 2m) (5 runners)

1	0F00-1	DON PIPER (R Panay) J Jenkins 4-11-6	J White	90	3-1
2	0-1	PELLINCOURT (D) (A Spence) R Akehurst 4-11-6	R Dunwoody	94	9-4
4	P0-2	NEW ROMNEY (R A E Bott Ltd) F Winter 4-11-1	P Scudamore	● 99	F6-4
10	0-	SCHLEMMER (P Hopkins) G Enright 4-11-0	M Perrett	—	10-1
13		GREAT AUNT SALLY (T Bailey) T Bailey 5-10-10	B Dowling (7)	—	14-1

2.35 AJAX HANDICAP CHASE (Amateurs: £3,194: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

3	20300-	WILY YEOMAN (CD) (Mrs H Atwell) J Gifford 7-11-7	T Grantham (4)	● 99	8-1
4	12/P00-2	CLONCORMICK (CD) (M Bradstock) F Walwyn 11-11-5	M Bradstock (7)	98	F3-1
5	12-2212	GOWAN HOUSE (D,BF) (J Walker) W A Stephenson 7-11-5	T Reed	93	4-1
6	012-043	TAKEFENCE (B,D) (Mrs M Henriques) M Henriques 8-10-13	M Armytage (7)	92	6-1
7	P3F22-1	BOOK OF KELLS (D) (R Beeson) J Blundell 11-10-13	T Thomson Jones	88	—
9	4-2B4U0	FOOT STICK (T Geake) G Balding 10-10-7	A Geake (7)	91	9-2
10	00/142-4	KILTON JIM (M Tory) P Tory 10-10-0	A Tory (7)	95	8-1
11	00-003P	FLAMING TIDE (J Poynton) P O'Connor 8-10-0	M Richards (7)	—	—
12	440P-P3	OAKPRIME (B) (D Pitcher) D Pitcher 11-10-0	D Pitcher (7)	84	12-1
14	F0P0-00	CRAWFORD CROSS (Mrs P Tory) T Tory 12-10-0	Mrs R Vickery (7)	85	—
16	3402P0	CARRIGEEN HILL (Sportswords Ltd) J S King 15-10-0	Miss G Armytage (4)	86	—
17	140000	TUNZENBERG (Mrs E Mitchell) N Mitchell 15-10-0	T Mitchell (7)	84	—

3.10 RAPID SHAVE-CLOSE SHAVE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,674: 3m 1f) (9 runners)

1	010/111-	HIGH RENOWN (CD) (Dewfresh Mushrooms) J Jenkins 6-11-12	S Sherwood	98	7-2
5	20-1110	TIMLYN (BF) (Lady Harris) G Balding 6-11-3	G Bradley	90	4-1
6	110-431	BATTLEFIELD BAND (Mrs I Dobney) J Blundell 9-11-3 (6ex)	D Dutton	90	F3-1
8	01130-0	ROYAL CRAFTSMAN (B) (M Ingram) Mrs N Smith 5-10-12	Jessica C-Jones (7)	89	—
9	4/3120-U	INCHGOWER (CD) (Miss D Downes) W Wightman 9-10-11	P Scudamore	96	12-1
11	311122	PLAZA TORO (D Fisher) W Turner 7-10-10	Tracy Turner (7)	● 99	5-1
12	4000P-2	INFO (A Foster) Miss A Furniss 6-10-5	D Wonnacott (7)	89	8-1
13	00310-3	LITTLE LONDON (T Morton) T Morton 7-10-4	M Bowlby (7)	95	10-1
18	00-4420	ASTON BANK (B) (R Wright) P Hobbs 5-10-0	S Morshead	76	—

3.45 COLGATE-PALMOLIVE HANDICAP CHASE (£3,700: 3m) (8 runners)

2	P0P30-1	CRACK A JOKE (D Randle) T Bill 7-11-9 (6ex)	R Crank	97	4-1
3	41-F122	BASHFUL LAD (D) (Mrs F Parkes) M Oliver 11-11-7	R Dunwoody	94	5-1
4	2412-23	GRATIFICATION (BF) (C Brooks) F Winter 9-11-7	Mr C Brooks (4)	● 99	3-1
5	0P-0111	POLLY'S PAL (S Paynes) S Payne 8-11-4 (6ex)	B Storey	97	F5-2
6	0P-1412	GEARYS COLD ROLLED (C,BF) (C Weedon) C Weedon 9-11-1	J Hurst	97	7-1
7	F-1F24F	GEE-A (G Hubbard) G Hubbard 7-10-7	Miss G Armytage (4)	95	14-1
8	03FU02-	GOLDEN MINSTREL (W Gale) J Gifford 7-10-5	R Rowe	98	4-1
10	00/1P0-F	CONCLUSIVE (R Shaw) J Jenkins 7-10-0	J White	92	10-1

4.20 STUDD CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£3,843: 2m) (6 runners)

1	232212-	CHARCOAL WALLY (D) (J Mursell) R Hodges 7-11-10	B Powell	96	3-1
2	11/P00-1	RENTAGHOST (D) (Mrs S Sturman) T Barron 8-11-1 (7ex)	G Harker (4)	94	3-1
3	204-111	CAPTAIN DAWN (P Hopkins) J Gifford 10-10-12	R Rowe	88	F2-1
5	4434-33	RIVERS EDGE (D) (D Knights) Denys Smith 8-10-8	A Stringer	95	8-1
7	12P0-00	PETER ANTHONY (CD) (R Hickman) R Hickman 8-10-6	J Bryan	96	14-1
8	4100P-3	NORTH YARD (D) (Unity Farm Hol Cen Ltd) P Hobbs 10-10-4	G McCourt	● 99	10-1

4.55 GOTHERINGTON NOVICE HURDLE (Div II: £1,310: 2m) (3 runners)

3	20004-	KAMADEE (Mrs P Fout) F Winter 6-11-1	P Scudamore	● 99	3-1
5	3200-	COURT APPEAL (Mrs J Robinson) D L Williams 4-11-0	R Crank	87	6-1
6	2	PARIS MATCH (J Ross) J Jenkins 4-11-0	J White	97	F4-6

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
F Winter	38	194	19.6	R Rowe	13	131	9.9
F Walwyn	22	137	16.1	P Scudamore	22	230	9.6
J Gifford	18	208	8.7	S Morshead	9	109	8.3
(Only qualifiers)				(only qualifiers)			

● Tony Ives, suspended for four days for careless riding at Wolverhampton on Monday, was again in trouble with the stewards at the Midlands course yesterday. The jockey was fined £50 for failing to weigh in after finishing fourth on Blazing High, trained by Lester Piggott, in the Staffordshire Nursery. "I thought I'd finished fifth and only the first four were called to weigh in," said Ives, who takes up a new appointment next season as first jockey to the Royal trainer, Ian Balding.

Brighton results

Going: firm

2.15 (6f) 1, CHORITZO (J Reid, 1-2 fav); 2, Brazilian Princess (T Williams, 7-1); 3, Salinas (P Robinson, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 16 Lazim (4th), 20 Degenerate (5th), 25 Spitzabit, 66 Battle Sting (6th), Goodnight Master. 8 ran. 8l, ¾l, sh hd, 1½l, 8l. R J Williams at Newmarket. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £1.40, £1.70. DF: £3.50. CSF: £4.37.

2.45 (1m 2f) 1, MINUS MAN (R Morse, 4-1); 2, Foot Patrol (C Rutter, 9-2); 3, Naskracker (A Clark, 15-2). ALSO RAN: 3 fav On To Glory (6th), 4 Fire Bay, 14 True Weight, Leonidas (5th), 16 Wibe Wibe (4th), 20 Saloom; 33 Cosmic Flight, French Emperor, 50 Tina Rose. 12 ran. NR: Singing Boy. hd, 3l, 8l, ½l, 7. W Holden at Newmarket. Tote: £5.30; £1.70, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £7.30. CSF: £22.48. Tricast: £123.75.

3.15 (1m) 1, STATE BALLET (J Matthias, 7-1); 2, Be Cheerful (P Robinson, 10-1); 3, Parklands Belle (P Cook, 3-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Fu Lu Shou (6th), 6 Kieron Press, 10 Vision Of Wonder (5th), 12 Say You Will (4th). 7 ran. hd, 2½l, 3l, 2l, 2½l. I Balding at Kingsclere. Tote: £6.50; £3.10, £3.40. DF: £22.90. CSF: £60.99.

3.45 (7f) 1, THE UTE (T Williams, 4-1); 2, Golden Straw (J Reid, 10-1); 3, Tremendous Jet (E Guest, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Miss Hicks (4th), 5 Touch The Sail, 6 Dorade (6th), Heavenly Carol, 20 Miss Venezuela (5th), Winsong Melody, 25 Sequestration. 10 ran. NR: Love At Last. nk, nk, 2l, 2½l, 2l. Miss L Bower at Alresford. Tote: £3.60; £1.40, £1.60, £1.80. DF: £32.50. CSF: £44.41. Tricast: £163.99. Winner sold to N J Hudley for 3,000gns.

4.15 (6f) 1, IMSHAD (M Roberts, 8-15 fav); 2, Stars In Motion (J Reid, 25-1); 3, Aunt Frances (B Rouse, 9-4). ALSO RAN: 16 Deep Raptures (4th), 66 Malachi Lad (5th). 5 ran. 2½l, 7l, 2½l, 10l. A Stewart at Newmarket. Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £2.70. DF: £4.50. CSF: £9.95.

4.45 (1m 4f) 1, STORM HOUSE (Mr T Thomson Jones, 10-11 fav); 2, Our Hero (Mr R Hutchinson, 2-1); 3, Height Of Summer (Mr M Armytage, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 9 Wild Ginger (4th), 25 Hawser (5th), 66 Himorre (6th), Kalimpong. 7 ran. NR: Calisolon. 2l, sh hd, ½l, 12l, 12l. K Brassey at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £1.70; £1.30, £1.70. DF: £2.00. CSF: £3.11.

Placepot: £14.60

Newcastle

Going: firm

2.15 (7f) 1, ZARBYEV (G Starkey, 4-11 fav); 2, Schnutzig (R Cochrane, 6-1); 3, Spruce Baby (J Lowe, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 10 Try My Brandy (6th), 16 The Main Man (4th), Marquetene, 20 Kenton's Lad, 25 Cushina (5th), 33 Will Raine, Happy Hamlet, Danensian, Danse Arabe, Freddie Ashton, Grossen. 14 ran. NR: Alvecote Magic. ½l, 2½l, 1½l, 2l, 2l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £1.40, £2.90. DF: £2.30. CSF: £4.42. 1min 29.68sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

2.45 (1m 2f) 1, CAPRICORN BLUE (S Cauthen, 3-1); 2, Black Diamond (J Lowe, 7-1); 3, Nap Majestica (D Nicholls, 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Davallia (5th), 6 Nozet (4th), 16 Optimism Flamed (6th), 20 Taxi Man. 7 ran. 2l, 3l, 4l, nk, 10l. Jimmy Fitzgerald at Malton. Tote: £2.60; £1.40, £2.30. DF: £8.50. CSF: £20.47. 2min 09.77sec.

3.15 (1m) 1, SHARON'S ROYALE (K Bradshaw, 10-1); 2, Sharp Shot (W Carson, 16-1); 3, Sand-Dollar (G Duffield, 15-2); 4, Good N Sharp (J Lowe, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 5 fav Qualitairess, 10 O I Oyston, Zio Peppino (6th), 11 Moores Metal, 14 Artistocrat Velvet, Baxtergate, Bella Banus, Heavenly Hoofer, 16 Rossett, Single Hand, 20 Henry's Venture, Kamaress, 25 Norton Warrior, New Barnet (5th), Rock Salt. 19 ran. 1½l, ¾l, hd, 2l, 1l. R Whitaker at Wetherby. Tote: £13.40; £2.40, £3.40, £2.00, £3.40. DF: £176.00. CSF: £157.64. Tricast: £1,170.79. 1min 42.83sec. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

3.45 (2m) 1, NIMBLE NATIVE (J Lowe, 4-1); 2, Denalio (M Fry, 11-4 fav); 3, Mahatta Palace (W Carson, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 Indian Orator (5th), 11-2 Comazant (6th), 7 Gratify (4th), 12 Lakiste. 7 ran. sh hd, 4l, 1½l, 4l, 1½l. S Norton at High Hoyland. Tote: £3.80; £1.80, £1.80. DF: £4.50. CSF: £14.72. 3min 34.15sec.

4.15 (1m 1f) 1, BOLERO MAGIC (S Cauthen, 1-2 fav); 2, Ichnusa (W Carson, 4-1); 3, Shining Skin (N Howe, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 33 No Idea (5th), 100 Latrigg Lodge (6th), Musical Aid (4th). 6 ran. 1½l, 7l, 7l, 4l, 8l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £1.40; £1.10, £1.30. DF: £1.40. CSF: £2.66. 1min 58.91sec.

4.45 (1m) 1, DOLLAR SEEKER (R Cochrane, 9-2); 2, Angel City (W Carson, 7-1); 3, Golden Tree (K Darley, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 10-11 fav Old Maestro (6th), 8 Snaen (5th), 12 Daffodil, 14 Reef Of Gold, 16 Bonefortune (4th), 25 Strong Sea, 33 Jazz Dancer, J J Jimmy, Stray No More. 12 ran. NR: Bevadarga. 3l, 1½l, 2l, hd, ½l. M Ryan at Newmarket. Tote: £4.70; £1.70, £1.90, £4.20. DF: £9.40. CSF: £37.66. 1min 42.42sec.

Placepot: £126.95

Wolverhampton

Going: straight course, good to firm, round, firm

2.0 (1m 1f) 1, RIVER JIG (T Quinn, 10-1); 2, Debach Delight (G Carter, 8-1); 3, Cas-En-Bas (G Baxter, 7-2 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 jt-fav Emily's Pride, 4 La Vie En Rose, 7 Joara, 10 Nabras (6th), 16 Karonga, 20 Going Greek, Luckley, Russian Lullaby (5th), 33 Cubby Hole, Lady Westown, Sutosky (4th). 14 ran. ¾l, nk, 3l, 5l, 10l. P Cole at Whatcombe. Tote: £10.10; £3.30, £1.50, £1.90. DF: £17.10. CSF: £89.13.

2.30 (1m 6f 110yd) 1, LOVE YOU ROSY (Paul Eddery, 14-1); 2, Mitala Maria (W R Swinburn, 10-11 fav); 3, G G Magic (A Murray, 11-4). ALSO RAN: 5 Lisakaty (5th), 14 Go Flamingo (4th), 20 Tiber Gate (6th), 33 Chariots Of Fire. 7 ran. NR: Redally, Tyrannise. 1½l, 4l, 10l, 8l, 2l. Mrs G Reveley at Saltburn-by-The-Sea. Tote: £7.30; £2.60, £1.60. DF: £7.60. CSF: £27.18. Bought in 3,000 gns.

3.0 (5f) 1, NATION'S SONG (J H Brown, 5-1); 2, Out On A Flyer (D Brown, 4-1); 3, Silvers Era (G Bardwell, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Peter's Blue, 11-2 Blazing High, 8 Absolution, 10 On Your Princess, 16 Mere Music (5th), 20 Johnkeins, 25 Rag Bearer, 33 Mr Mumbles (4th). 11 ran. ¾l, 1l, 1½l, sh hd, 1l. R Stubbs at Middleham. Tote: £6.70; £2.00, £2.20, £2.10. DF: £9.10. CSF: £25.09. Tricast: £131.86.

3.30 (1m 1f) 1, IVORY FIELDS (W R Swinburn, 11-8 fav); 2, Scattered Showers (A McGlone, 12-1); 3, Appealing Dancer (T Lucas, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 3 Fairy Gold (4th), 7 Vestal Flame, 12 Trivia, 14 Aljaw, 16 Lagta (5th), 25 Della Robbia, 33 Miss Panguin, Tribal Pageant (6th). 11 ran. 2l, 2l, 1½l, 2l, 1l. M Stoute at Newmarket. Tote: £2.10; £1.30, £1.90, £1.10. DF: £11.90. CSF: £20.16

4.0 (7f) 1, IYAMSKI (W R Swinburn, 8-1); 2, Canadian Guest (W Newnes, 12-1); 3, Annabelline (R Hills, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 3 fav Cleofe, 4 Skelton, 6 Natija, 9 Haywain (4th), 10 Tzu-Wong, 12 Ivory Gull (6th), 14 Celestial Drive, 16 Mademoiselle Magna, Petrify, Supreme Kingdom, 20 Festivity (5th), Aitchandoubleyou. 15 ran. NR: Corrals Joy, Broadhurst. ½l, 1½l, 1½l, 2l, 1½l. W. Hastings-Bass at Newmarket. Tote: £9.90; £2.60, £6.10, £2.60. DF: £164.80. CSF: £109.97. Tricast: £757.96.

4.30 (5f) 1, BONNY LIGHT (A Shoults, 9-4 fav); 2, Nagem (P Hill, 12-1); 3, Merrymoles (R Wernham, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 4 Come To The Ball, 10 Jacqui Joy (4th), 12 Muhtaris (6th), Tamalpais, 14 Left Right (5th), Northern Lad, 16 Ardent Partner, Bridge Of Gold, Impala Lass, Stanbo, 33 Kings Ring, Skylin. 15 ran. 2½l, hd, 1½l, 2l, 2l. R Sheather at Newmarket. Tote: £4.80; £1.60, £2.40, £4.40. DF: £26.80. CSF: £31.77. Tricast: £187.66.

Placepot: £294.40.

Devon & Exeter

Going: firm

2.0 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Mad About Ya (B Powell, 4-6 fav); 2, Royal Rehearsal (12-1); 3, Golden Triangle (3-1). 7 ran. 12l, ¾l. L Kennard. Tote: £1.70; £1.30, £2.10. DF: £5.20. CSF: £8.31.

2.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Angel Drummer (K Caplen, 11-10 fav); 2, Mr Fizycal (25-1); 3, Repetitive (9-2). 6 ran. 1l, 4l. A Ingham. Tote: £2.20; £1.40, £2.40. DF: £26.40. CSF: £19.43.

3.0 (2m 5f ch) 1, Running Comment (J White, 7-1); 2, Allied Newcastle (1-3 fav); 3, African Star (12-1). 5 ran. 8l, dist. R Hodges. Tote: £8.00; £1.80, £1.10. DF: £3.00. CSF: £9.50.

3.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, San Carlos (Steve Knight, 4-1); 2, Tight Turn (3-1 jt-fav); 3, Coral Harbour (3-1). 6 ran. 4l, 25l. A Ingham. Tote: £3.80; £2.30, £1.50. DF: £9.70. CSF: £15.17.

4.0 (3m 1f ch) 1, River Warder (G Davies, 4-1); 2, Laney Dual (14-1); 3, Leading Artist (5-4 fav). 5 ran. 10l, 3l. J M Bradley. Tote: £4.20; £1.20, £4.10. DF: £25.40. CSF: £36.46.

4.30 (2m 1f hdle) 1, Miss Sinclair (C Gray, 10-1); 2, Turcy Boy (2-1 fav); 3, Caroline Ranger (40-1). 8 ran. 4l, 25l. P Rogers. Tote: £19.00; £2.60, £1.10, £2.80. DF: £20.10. CSF: £30.17.

Placepot: £37.65.

Blinkered first time

YORK: 2.15 Mr Berkeley, Jean Jeanie, Salop Rouge. 3.15 Bollin Emily.

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Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Balnerino. 2.45 Jondale. 3.15 Tromeros. 3.45 Glory Snatcher. 4.15 Ishkhara 4.45 Tumble Jim.

Going: firm

2.15 BRIDGEND JUVENILE NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-O: £685: 2m) (3 runners)

2		BILLS AHEAD G Moore 11-0	M Hammond
4		SHARK FIGHTER D McCain 11-0	K Doolan
5	2	BALNERINO Denys Smith 10-9	C Grant

4-5 Balnerino, 7-4 Bills Ahead, 7-2 Shark Fighter.

2.45 TULLOCH NOVICE CHASE (£1,156: 2m) (3)

3	00-2	JONDALE J Bradburne 9-11-5	Mrs S Bradburne
5	00P3	MILLSTREAK Miss Z Green 6-11-5	D Nolan
7	0P/	THE GOESEL Mrs W Tullie 7-11-5	T G Dun

4-7 Jondale, 5-1 Millstreak, 16-1 The Goesel.

3.15 TENNENTS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,643: 2m 4f) (3)

5	-221	POUNENTES (B,C) W McGhie 9-11-7	Mr K Anderson (7)
6	3111	TROMEROS (D) Denys Smith 5-11-4	C Grant
7	303-	TOMMY GE (CD) Mrs J Goodfellow 7-11-3	J K Kinane

8-11 Pounentes, 15-8 Tromeros, 100-30 Tommy Ge.

3.45 LATHAM HANDICAP CHASE (£1,545: 3m) (4)

1	1-02	KUMON SUNSHINE (B,C,D,BF) D Yeoman 9-12-3	C Hawkins
3	6-33	GLORY SNATCHER (CD,BF) G Richards 10-11-1	P Tuck
4	422-	IVACOP Denys Smith 7-10-13	C Grant
5	2124	MELEREK (CD) G Moore 11-10-8	M Hammond

6-5 Glory Snatcher, 7-4 Kumon Sunshine, 3-1 Melerek, 5-1 Ivacop.

4.15 CRAIGIE NOVICE HURDLE (£685: 2m 4f) (5)

2	03-1	GENERAL CHANDOS (C) J Bradburne 5-11-5	Mr J Bradburne
3	2-11	ISHKHARA (D) Mrs G Reveley 4-11-5	P Niven (4)
8	F0-	BURNSWARK C Parker 5-10-13	K Doolan
12		SHESHOONS LAST W McGhie 6-10-13	Mr K Anderson (7)
17	0-2P	SOVEREIGN LAD (B) G Moore 4-10-12	M Hammond

5-4 Ishkara, 5-2 General Chandos, 4-1 Sovereign Lad, 6-1 Sheshoons Last, 12-1 Burnswark.

4.45 MUIRTON HANDICAP CHASE (£1,278: 2m) (2)

2	1222	TUMBLE JIM (CD,BF) T Cunningham 7-11-8	C Grant
3	0000	MILITARY CROWN Mrs J Evans 9-10-2	C Dennis (7)

1-5 Tumble Jim, 9-2 Military Crown.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: Denys Smith, 14 winners from 46 rides, 30.4%; G Richards, 31 from 124, 25.0%. (Only two qualifiers).

JOCKEYS: P Tuck, 13 winners from 65 rides, 20.0%; C Grant, 18 winners from 98 rides, 18.4%. (Only two qualifiers).

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Facilities provide a key to the development of talent

Coe out to open doors to British success

By John Goodbody

Sebastian Coe probably learnt more about the problems in British sport by being stopped from training round an empty private sports ground in Chiswick than he has done from his own international successes.

If the only man to have won two Olympic 1,500 metres titles can be evicted from a ground, there can be little hope for runners with less distinguished pedigrees and less recognizable faces.

But as a vice-chairman of the Sports Council, rather than as a man seeking training facilities, the experience was invaluable. He approaches his work for the Sports Council with the same quiet commitment and attention to detail that has marked his athletics career. But he says: "Whatever I do here is in tandem with the other members. It is not a one-man show."

Insight into needs of competitors

His chairmanship of the Olympic Review, which detailed Britain's needs for the 1988 Games and resulted in a £3.7 million grant from the Sports Council and a £1.5 million sponsorship from the Minet Group, has already given him wide-ranging insight into the requirements of many competitors. Personal experience adds to the picture.

A priority is facilities, both the provision for specialist activities and the best use of those facilities that already exist.

"Too many facilities lie dormant for much of the time," Coe said. "We will be knocking on the door of industry. Some of the best grounds, to which I have gone across hedges and through hedgerows, belong to, say, some of the larger insurance outfits in London.

"The question is: how can an ordinary punter get on facilities which may be used only a couple of days a week? The answer is often that you cannot."

The importance of the dual use of facilities, with the public being able to play sport on those grounds owned by educational establishments and companies, is not new. "But," Coe said, "it has not been as successful as we would like. It is still a joke, still a farce."

Coe, who has been an international athlete for 10 seasons and a member of the Sports Council since 1983, points out there has been a massive improvement in the number and type of facilities.

"Most people in most boroughs can train on synthetic surfaces and you could not have said that in 1976. But there is still a need for large indoor halls and specialist areas like cycling tracks."

He is particularly sensitive to specialist demands because of his experience with the Olympic Review and the Sports Council's relationship with the governing bodies.

"Part of my appointment was to help the Council get even closer to the governing bodies. Of course, we give them grant aid but we want a full relationship with them, partly because they can help us in our strategy of mass participation."

Another large segment of his work will be promoting the general image of the Council. "The public is sometimes ignorant of what is happening here, although I do not think people think badly of us.

"The Sports Council is a good story. We have a lot of sporting and technical ability here, men like John Smith, the chairman, and Trevor Brooking from football, Jim Cochrane from tennis and Charles Palmer, the chairman of the British Olympic Association."

Coe believes the 32-member Council, who stand between the Government and the individual sports bodies and whose annual report is published tomorrow, must be accountable to the public because public finance is involved. But he also thinks the Sports Council must put their case strongly for increased Government aid.

"Sport has not always made its case to the best of its ability.

Not playing the political game

"The best example is the huge discrepancy between the Arts Council grant and the Sports Council grant. We have tended not to play the political game."

Coe does not believe that sport is more entitled to Government money than the arts or any other area of public spending. It is rather that when you are in the arena for resources you have to provide the figures and facts and financial reasons that strengthen your case. "We are not preaching to the converted."

He is used to the experience of converting people to his views by amassing incontrovertible evidence. In 1984, many people did not think Coe could recover from illness to retain his Olympic title. The Sports Council have an unyielding character as a vice-chairman.



Sebastian Coe: creating the right image

When ageing is in the mind

Sebastian Coe, who celebrated his 30th birthday last week, will make no final decision until at least next month about whether he will continue his international career (John Goodbody writes).

"At the moment I am planning to compete in 1987," Coe said. "I am restarting training and I will see how it goes.

"I tend to be slightly dismissive of age. As one physiologist I know says, 'Age is a number, not a state of fitness.' Western countries are mesmerized by age. In the United States if you have not made it by the age of 30, then that is it in sporting terms."

Coe points out that last season he came within a stride of the 1,500 metres world record in his fastest time for five seasons. "And there is genuinely nothing in my training that I am less capable of doing than I was five or six years ago," he said. "The only thing I will concede, and that only marginally, is the difficulty of being able to stack tight up together seven races in nine days, like in Los Angeles for the 800 and 1,500 metres."

Coe sees no trouble in combining his regular work for the Sports Council and the Health Education Council with his athletic career. "Running has always been part of an integrated day. I could not cope with just training."

But he says there is also the consideration of whether he wants to submit himself to another routine for next year's world championships in Rome.

CRICKET

Border is still in the driving seat

From Richard Streeton
Rajkot

Allan Border, with a calm, assured 91 not out, steered Australia to victory over India here yesterday in the sixth and final one-day international. In perfect batting conditions, the tourists were left to make 261 in 48 overs and Border made certain there was no faltering as they ran out winners by seven wickets with nine balls to spare.

India, put in to bat, reached a good score, thanks to a forceful century from Lamba – the man of the series – and hard hitting from Kapil Dev, who reached 50 in 26 balls. Unfortunately for India, however, the all-rounder was unable to field or bowl because of cramp in the calf. Yet how much some lacklustre bowling from the others was due to India having already clinched the series was hard to gauge.

The Indians won three matches and lost two, with one match abandoned through rain. At their best they remain formidably equipped for limited-overs cricket, certainly in their own country. They have also introduced a new dimension into this type of game by relying heavily on slow bowling. To watch Shastri and Maninder Singh, the two left-arm spinners, subdue opponents intent on attack, turns back the clock a long way.

This young Australian team depend a great deal on Border, and once again he was magnificent. He made room against the spinners to square drive freely and though always careful, he kept the total mounting with a mixture of deft and punishing strokes. Australia needed 68 from the last 10 overs and 21 from five when Border finally felt able to cut loose. At the finish he took 16 off a Madan Lal over to settle the game.

Ritchie partnered Border through the closing stages, but everyone who got to the wicket made an important contribution.

While bowling, Australia failed to reach 15 overs before lunch but sympathy was with them, as the temperature reached the high nineties. Undeterred, Lamba, playing with increasing confidence, reached his chanceless century out of 167 in the 38th over. He drove two sixes off Matthews, the off-spinner, and faced 118 balls before, swinging wildly, he was bowled by Reid.

Kapil Dev needed to make amends after a change of mind left Shastri stranded and run out. In the right mood Kapil can pull and drive with almost as much force as Botham. McDermott was recalled for the 45th over and it cost 24 runs, including two sixes by Kapil over mid-wicket.

INDIA

K Srikkanth c McDermott b Matthews	23
R Lamba b Reid	102
M Azharuddin run out	28
D Vengsarkar c Marsh b Waugh	25
*Kapil Dev lbw b Waugh	58
R Shastri run out	2
†C S Pandit not out	14
Madan Lal not out	1
Extras (b 1, lb 5, w 1)	7
Total (6 wkts, 48 overs)	260

Maninder Singh, Rajinder Singh Ghai and R P Singh did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-59, 2-143, 3-179, 4-181, 5-200, 6-259.

BOWLING: Davis 9-0-34-0, McDermott 9-1-61-0, Waugh 10-1-50-2, Matthews 8-0-51-1, Reid 10-0-48-1, Border 2-0-10-0.

AUSTRALIA

G R Marsh run out	39
D C Boon st Pandit b Shastri	39
D M Jones c Lamba b R P Singh	55
*A R Border not out	91
G M Ritchie not out	35
Extras (lb 4)	4
Total (3wkts, 46.3 overs)	263

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-68, 2-85, 3-176.

G R J Matthews, S R Waugh, S P Davis, G †C Dyer, D R Gilbert and C McDermott did not bat.

BOWLING: Madan Lal 8-0-50-0, R P Singh 9.4-0-58-1, Ghai 6.2-0-37-0, Shastri 10-0-50-1, Maninder Singh 10-0-49-0, Srikkanth 2-0-11-0, Azharuddin 0.3-0-4-0.

YACHTING

Crusader beaten after a daring American gambit

From Barry Pickthall, Fremantle

The bubble of euphoria surrounding the British America's Cup challenge may not have burst, but it was certainly threatened yesterday when the New York Yacht Club's 12-metre, America II, skippered by John Kolius, of Texas, meted out a first defeat to Harold Cudmore and his crew on the third day of the initial round-robin trials.

The margin of that win – 1min 27sec – does belie the close-fought battle that raged between the two yachts during the first part of the race when nothing divided White Crusader from her American rival through 26 tight tacks up the initial beat. The next time they came together however, John Bertrand, the tactician aboard America II, judged his boat could just cross ahead on port, and Kolius, who admitted afterwards that it had been such a close call he had not dared to look, finally gained the upper hand.

The British problems were compounded when a genoa sheet fouled during the next tack, and when the Americans pulled off a perfect spinnaker gybe, set around the weather mark, to gain even more distance at the start of the following run, we might just as well have all gone home. Having rounded 23sec astern at this first mark, Crusader dropped a further 21sec behind on the run – the worst point of sail for this Howlett design – and was 1min 10sec adrift when they reached the top of the course on the second time round.

As the winds increased from eight to 14 knots, the British crew did, at least, gain some reassurance from the fact that they matched the Americans' speed on the final run, cutting down the gap to below a minute, before falling out of phase with one windshift to drop a further 30sec on the final beat.

But as Dennis Conner, whose Stars and Stripes gained her third successive win, this time against Eagle, put it last night: "Even if you win all twelve races in this series, the points are worth only one race in December, so no one will be too pleased if they win, nor too despondent if they lose."

Certainly, it will take more than one defeat to temper Cudmore's confidence. After three hard races so far in this series, the buoyant Irishman said he thought it was time to have an easy one, then leant across towards Conner and called: "How about it tomorrow, Dennis?" referring, of course, to their promising head-to-head battle today.

Other challengers to maintain a clean slate so far in these Louis Vuitton-sponsored trials are New Zealand IV, which won an easy 1min 42sec victory over the twin-ruddered USA after skipper Tom Blackaller shot the start early, giving away close to a minute returning to the line, and French Kiss, which gained a walk-over after the American opponent, Courageous IV, retired when her headstay sheave box, set in the bow, began to disintegrate.

Canada II chalked up her first win in the series with a 2min 36sec victory over Heart of America, skippered by Buddy Melges, and Italia's crew, which, like their Italian counterparts aboard Azzurra III, have so far both failed to impress, gained the most convincing victory of the day with a 5min 10sec win over the Costa Smeralda crew, who must now be contemplating bringing out the more radical Azzurra IV for the second round-robin series in November.

RESULTS

HEAT 1: Stars and Stripes US55 (US), 3hr 24min 56sec, bt Eagle US60 (US), 3:27 56. Winning margin: 3min
HEAT 2: America II US46 (US) 3 31 35, bt White Crusader K24 (GB), 3'33'02. Winning margin: 1.27.
HEAT 3: New Zealand KZ7 (NZ), 3.38.06, bt USA, US61 (US), 3.28 08. Winning margin, 1 42
HEAT 4: Canada II KC2 (Can), 3'24 09, bt Heart of America US51 (US), 3.26 45 Winning margin: 2 36
HEAT 5: French Kiss F7 (Fr), 3.23'21, bt Courageous US26 (US) retired
HEAT 6: Italia F7 (It), 3.26 04, bt Azzurra 110 (It), 3'31'14. Winning margin: 5 10.

TODAY'S RACES

White Crusader v Stars & Stripes; New Zealand v French Kiss, USA v America II, Challenge France v Canada II; Azzurra III v Heart of America; Courageous v Eagle.

SCHEDULE

Challenger elimination: October 5-20: Preliminary series, first round-robin. November 2-19: Second round-robin. December 2-19: Third round-robin. December 28-January 7: Semi-finals (best of seven) January 13-23: Finals (best of seven).
Defender elimination: October 18-30: Preliminary series, first round-robin; November 9-21: Second round-robin. December 2-20: Third round-robin. December 27-January 8: Semi-finals. January 14-25: Final (best of nine)
America's Cup: January 31-mid February (best of seven).

Jeantot closes gap

The flying Frenchman, Philippe Jeantot, winner of the first BOC solo race around the world in 1983, pulled up into second place ahead of a countryman, Guy Bernardin, for the first time since this second global event began from Newport, Rhode Island, on August 30 (Barry Pickthall writes).

With fewer than 1,000 miles to cover to Cape Town, the first compulsory stop, Jeantot's 60ft Dumas-designed Credit Agricole III is little more than a day behind the fleet leader, John Martin, sailing the South African entry, Tuna Marine Voortrekker.

Earlier this week, Martin, who led the fleet out of Newport and had benefited considerably by taking an extreme easterly course, became ensnared by the high pressure system centred over the South Atlantic but he got going again yesterday and was expecting to reach Cape Town on Saturday.

French sailors hold five of the first six placings, a number that includes Jacques de Roux, the leading class two entrant, with his 50ft Skoiern IV in fourth position. He holds a 413-mile lead over his American class two rival, Mike Plant.

Harry Mitchell, of Britain, aged 62, the oldest competitor among the remaining 23, was back in 21st place, 180 miles south of the Equator yesterday, but having a close tussle with Takeo Shimada, of Japan, 21 miles further from the Cape.

Today, John Biddlecombe, of Australia, who sustained a serious groin injury when he fell through the forward hatch of his class one entry, ACI Crusader, four days out from Newport, is expected to rejoin the race from Bermuda where he has spent the past three weeks adding a lead bulb to the keel of his boat.

LEADING POSITIONS (miles to Cape Town in brackets): 1, J Martin – Tuna Marine Voortrekker (SA), 769 miles; 2, P Jeantot – Credit Agricole III (Fr), 1,001; 3, G Bernardin – Bateaux Lu (Fr), 1,071; 4, T Lamazou – Ecureuil D'Aquitaine (Fr), 1,354. Class two: 1, J de Roux – Skoiern IV (Fr), 1,345; 2, M Plant – Airco Distributor, 1,738; 3, R Konkolski – Declaration of Independence, 2,000; 4, J van den Heede – Let's Go (Fr), 2,052; 11th H Mitchell – Double Cross, (UK), 3,368.

SKIING

Swiss set ultimate test for downhill

From a Special Correspondent, Crans Montana

Racers in the women's downhill at the world alpine championships here early next year must negotiate the most difficult course to be found anywhere, warns Walter Loser, a senior executive of the Swiss organizing committee.

The women's track, which is under construction, includes a hair-raising "S" bend which he says will test technical skills to extreme limits. An important warning indeed for competitors touching 70mph.

The course snakes 2.45km and drops 665m to the same finish as the men, whose downhill will be over a nearby, straighter 3.67km course, dropping 981m.

Organizers of the championships are expecting promotion to cost about £10million. Among the first international companies to become involved is Guinness, who have completed a £500,000 sponsorship this week.

Crans Montana is fast becoming one of Switzerland's foremost centres for sporting activity. Local authorities have spent more than £100 million in three years to provide facilities to appeal internationally. A nine-hole golf course, designed by Jack Nicklaus, is being constructed and preparation is also well advanced in the building of an ice rink and huge dome-covered tennis courts.

They are also building a cable car system to take skiers to the top of Bella-Lui, the start of the men's downhill, while to ensure there will be plenty of snow during the world championships a computerized piping system is being installed to provide artificial snow.

BADMINTON

Baddeley gets high seed after success

Steve Baddeley, England's top men's player, has been rewarded for a good run of results by being seeded joint No. 3 for the British Airways Masters tournament in London, from October 22 to 26. It is the Sussex left-hander's highest seeded position for a Category One Grand Prix, and the Commonwealth Games champion shares the seeding position with Misbun Sidek.

Icuk Sugiarto, Indonesia's World Cup champion, is the favourite, with Morten Frost, of Denmark, as second seed for the event, which begins at the Kensington leisure centre then moves to the Albert Hall.

There is a surprise in the women's seedings with Sumiko Kitada, of Japan, getting the No. 1 position in preference to Helen Troke, of Southampton.

SEEDINGS, Men: 1, I Sugiarto (Indo); 2, M Frost (Den); equal 3, S Baddeley (Eng) and M Sidek (Malay); 5 to 8 Sze Yu (Aus), I Pongoh (Indo), E Kurniawan (Indo) Z Guobao (China). Women: 1, S Kitada (Japan); 2, H Troke (Eng); equal 3, K Larsen (Den) and Z Yuli (China).

SQUASH RACKETS

Robinson enjoys high speed with InterCity

By Colin McQuillan

The first day of the 1986-87 American Express premier league was, like the curate's egg, good in parts for Ian Robinson, the manager and fourth string player for yesterday's victorious InterCity-Cannons team.

Robinson, at 34, has realized his fondest dreams in squash. As marketing director of Telecourt Limited, he is the new co-owner of the only all-transparent glass showcourt in Britain, now permanently situated at Cannons Club under the arches of London's Cannon Street station.

He has moved into a management and expansion role in his game, leaving coaching matters to his team captain and Telecourt partner, Neil Harvey, and claims his competitive squash is more enjoyable than for many years.

On the other hand Robinson was the only InterCity-Cannons loser against Visco-Monroe, the newly-promoted Yorkshire club, finishing exhausted 6-9, 9-0, 9-10, 8-10 to Steve Bateman. And just 18 hours earlier he lost the Yorkshire county final to Ashley Naylor.

To cap it all, as fourth string yesterday he played on an outside closed court while his colleagues performed happily in front of a packed house of 300 spectators on his glass court.

Cannons Club won the national league championship last season while Robinson was managing the now-defunct Armley side from Leeds. He joined Cannons to launch his court operation with Harvey under the corporate banner of the club and with team sponsorship from British Rail high-speed passenger service.

"It has been a very demanding summer, finalizing the new arrangements at Cannons, building the court and preparing for the national league," Robinson said after yesterday's defeat. "And I have discovered that at my age four days of continuous high-level squash is a touch too hard."

Robinson is, nevertheless, pleased with his situation. "I am just where I always wanted to be at this stage of my career. Playing has become a joy again because I only go on court to complete. I could not miss the Yorkshire championship. I have played in it 14 times and won eight times. But right now I wish I had taken a quiet six-day training approach to the season's first day."

RESULTS: (Cannons players first): J Hickox bt T Wilkinson, 1-9, 9-5, 9-5, 9-4; D Lee bt M Maclean, 9-5, 9-6, 9-5; N Harvey bt C Wilstrop, 9-2, 9-2, 9-0; I Robinson lost to S Bateman, 6-9, 9-0, 9-10, 8-10; R Graham bt J Lilley, 9-1, 9-6, 9-0.

Kenyon drops a place

Phil Kenyon, the British champion, has slipped from third to fourth place in the latest world grand prix rankings. His place has been taken by Ross Thorne, of Australia, who has moved up four places.

Ross Norman, of New Zealand, maintains his lead at the top with Jahangir Khan, the world champion, climbing from sixth to second. The biggest leap is made by Rodney Martin, aged 20, from Australia, who has moved from 22nd to eighth after his recent Hong Kong open success.

RANKINGS: Top 10: 1, R Norman (NZ), 3,472pts; 2, Jahangir Khan (Pak), 2,426; 3, R Thorne (Aus), 1,562.3; 4, P Kenyon (Eng), 1,434; 5, S Davenport (NZ), 1,208.5; 6, T Nancarrow (Aus), 1,194.6; 7, R Martin (Aus), 1,076; 8, Qamar Zaman (Pak), 1,051 8; 9, C Robertson (Aus), 1,019; 10, G Briars (Eng), 1,001.

Just reward for Eastbourne

SPEEDWAY
Keith Macklin



Eastbourne's triumph in clinching the National League title is fitting reward for the team which has had more than its share of bad blows in recent years. The Eagles won in style with three wins in three matches over the weekend. The first was at Hackney on Friday, and then on Sunday on their own tiny Arlington circuit they beat Newcastle and then Hackney in a double-header.

The outstanding performer on Sunday was a youngster, Martin Dougard, son of the Eastbourne promoter and former Wimbledon rider, Bob Dougard, who notched up 26 points in the two matches and successfully defended his Silver Helmet in battles against Dave Blackburn, of Newcastle, and Alan Mogridge, of Hackney.

The recent history of Eastbourne has been chequered, to say the least. They were members of the British League until 1985, but because of contractual difficulties with certain riders the promoters decided to drop down to the National League.

They immediately won the Challenge Cup by defeating the 1985 champions Ellesmere Port over two legs, but the Eagles will regard this season's championship as a much greater achievement. They have had to use a rider replacement for most of the season after Colin Richardson was involved in a crash at Exeter. Richardson sustained injuries which at first threatened his life but has since made a remarkable recovery and could well take his place in the Eastbourne team for the Knockout Cup final against Mildenhall later this month.

Mildenhall will be without the services of Rob Henry, who had a bad fall in the match against Arena Essex a fortnight ago. Henry is in hospital with severe spinal injuries which have cast a doubt over his riding future. He had planned to retire at the end of this season.

Eastbourne deserve their success if only because they have put such vision and faith into their junior track next to the main arena. On Sunday lunchtimes schoolboy hopefuls turn up to take a spin on the junior track in the hope of taking the first steps towards a career in speedway.

Martin Dougard and Dean Standring are two of the Eastbourne team who have progressed from the 100m track riding 50cc bikes, and one of the great names in the sport, Dave Jessup, a former world No. 2, also started out in similar fashion. Jessup will be riding against Eastbourne in the Knockout Cup final after dropping down from the British League last year to head the National League averages with Mildenhall.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated

Littlewoods Cup
Second round, second leg
First leg score in brackets
Aston Villa (1) v Reading (1)
Chelsea (0) v York (1)
Leeds (2) v Oldham (3)
Leicester (2) v Swansea (0) (7.45)
Lincoln (1) v Charlton (3)
Man City (0) v Southend (0)
Newcastle (0) v Bradford (2)
Norwich (0) v Peterborough (0)
Nottm Forest (0) v Brighton (0)
Stoke (1) v Shrewsbury (2)
Swindon (0) v Southampton (3)
Tottenham (3) v Barnsley (2) (7.45)

Scottish premier division
Celtic v Hearts
Dundee Utd v Motherwell
Falkirk v Aberdeen
Hamilton v Dundee
Hibernian v Clydebank
St Mirren v Rangers

Scottish first division
Brechin City v Airdrie
Dunfermline v Dumbarton
East Fife v Montrose
Morton v Kilmarnock
Partick v Forfar Ath
Queen of Sth v Clyde

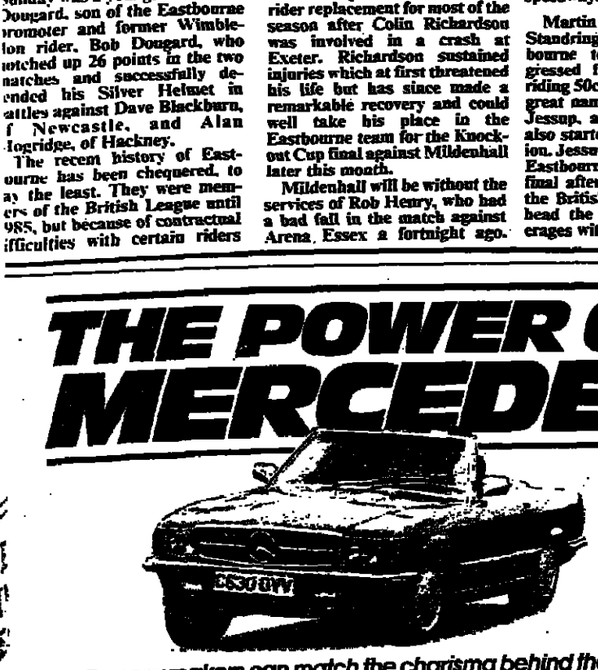
FA TROPHY: First round qualifying replays: Congleton Town v Ryhope Community (7.45); Caernarfon Town v Shepshed Charterhouse; Saltash Utd v Frome (7.45)
GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Boston Utd v Nuneaton; Cheltenham v Bath; Kettering v Kidderminster; Maidstone v Enfield; Scarborough v Altrincham; Weymouth v Barnet.
VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Yeovil v Farnborough.
MULTIPART LEAGUE: Oswestry v Bangor City; Workington v Southport; Worksop v Macclesfield
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Southern division: Woodford v Thanet.
FA YOUTH CUP: Second qualifying round: Maidenhead v Uxbridge.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn v Aston Villa (7.0); Sheffield Utd v Newcastle. Second division: Blackpool v Barnsley (7.0); Bolton v Notts County (7.0); Doncaster v Darlington (7.0); Huddersfield v Port Vale; Scunthorpe v Grimsby. Postponed: West Brom v York.
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Crystal Palace v QPR; Millwall v Fulham (2.0).
COUNTY ANTRIM SHIELD: Final: Glentoran v Glenavon (at the Oval, 7.30).

RUGBY UNION

THORN-EMI COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: North Midlands v Notts, Lincs and Derbys (at Moseley, 7.15); Staffordshire v Lancashire (at Burton-on-Trent, 7.15).
CLUB MATCHES: Bath v South Wales Police (7.15); Bridgend v Cardiff (7.15); Bristol v Metropolitan Police (7.15); Cambridge University v St.Mary's Hospital; Surrey v British Police (Imber Court); Harlequins v Loughborough Students (at Stoop Memorial Ground, 5.0); Newbridge v Neath (7.15); Orrell v Otley (7.15); Pontypool v Gloucester (7.0).

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: British masters, regional round: TF Cleveland v Calderdale Explorers; Lambeth Topcats v CBS Centurians Colchester (8.0); Leicester Riders v Peterborough Jets (8.0); Swindon Rakers v Happy Easter Bracknell Pirates (8.0).
BOXING: RAF v Southern Counties (at Hove).
EQUESTRIANISM: Horse of the Year Show (at Wembley Arena).
SNOOKER: Tennents UK Open, preliminary rounds (at selected Coral Clubs in Bury, Manchester, Newton-le-Willows, Merseyside, Worcester, Leicester, Sefton, Merseyside)
TENNIS: Refuge Association national championship: Finals (at Telford Racquet and Fitness Centre).





HOCKEY: SPAIN SPRING ANOTHER WORLD CUP SURPRISE

Clash with Soviets can fortify England

England, with full points from two matches, meet the Soviet Union today in Group A of the World Cup tournament full of confidence after beating New Zealand and Argentina (Sydney Friskin writes). A win for England would fortify them for the two more testing matches against Pakistan and The Netherlands.

Colin Whalley, the England manager, said: "I am happy with the way things have gone, although I was a little disappointed with our performance against Argentina. Still, it is the result that matters and if we play as we did against New Zealand we ought to beat the Soviet Union."

England are likely to keep the same side that defeated Argentina except that Bhaura might come in as a substitute for Batchelor on the right wing. At some time England could bring on Shaw whose entrance usually puts new life into the attack.

The Soviet Union who lost their first match to the Dutch and were a little lucky to beat New Zealand 1-0 are not an easy side to beat. Their defence is sound and they are dangerous on the breaks.

England have met the Soviet Union three times and share a win apiece with one match drawn. They have retained more or less the same squad that helped them to win the silver medal in the 1983 European championship in Amsterdam when they lost the final on penalty strokes to The Netherlands after an exciting 4-4 draw.

England have not forgotten that they lost 1-0 to the Soviet Union at Willesden in last year's quadrangular tournament and will do their best to avenge that defeat.

Yesterday's results

World Cup
Group B

SPAIN	(2) 2	INDIA	(1) 1		
X Escude, I Escude		Somaya			
AUSTRALIA	(1) 2	W GERMANY	(2) 2		
Mitton, Birmingham		Reck, Fischer			

First sending off merely compounds the Indian demise

By Sydney Friskin

Spain 2
India 1

Yet another unexpected result was achieved in the sixth World Cup tournament at Willesden yesterday when India, at one time complete masters of this game, were beaten by Spain, who enhanced their chances in group B with their total of three points from two matches.

This second defeat for India – they had lost 1-0 to Poland – leaves them with only a slim chance of qualifying for the semi-finals, a fact which was accepted after the match by their manager, Doraiswamy Murthy.

But the talking point of the match was the first red card of the tournament, handed to the Indian right back, Pargat Singh, in the second half. Tackling Figar from behind, he struck him on the head with his stick and was sent off. He had been in trouble earlier when he was given the yellow, temporary suspension, card in the first half for a threatening gesture.

While he was on the bench, Pargat had time to watch the match being won and lost. Spain took the lead in the 25th minute when Ignatio Escude started a run through the middle and passed to his brother Xavier, who beat the goalkeeper from close in.

Spanish joy was shortlived, however, for India drew level barely a minute later. Tikken Singh centred from the right and Somaya, who had come up to reinforce the attack, slotted the ball home.

Six minutes before half-time, Spain's corner drill found expression in one magic moment when Ignatio Escude put his stick to a perfect stop by De Paz and scooped the ball high into the net. Pargat Singh was then recalled to begin India's task of reconstruction.

Spain, themselves, had done some rough tackling and Figar, a substitute for Roca, was given the yellow card for tripping Shahid, who had begun a brilliant run towards the circle. Later, Joaquin Malgosa also received the yellow card for dangerous tackling.

After India had squandered two short corners, Roca nearly put Spain two goals ahead, his shot from an acute angle just missing the far post. He was replaced almost immediately by Figar.

Pargat conceded a short corner for obstruction shortly before his exit and Figar, the man he injured, was replaced by Gomez. Although they were reduced to 10 men, India came strongly into the match and their efforts nearly brought them a goal but the Spanish goalkeeper stopped a stinging shot from Shahid.

The fate of Pargat Singh rests with the technical delegate but he could be suspended at least for one match.

SPAIN: J Perez, S Malgosa, I Escuda, J Malgosa, J Garcia-Mauriano, J C Peon, J Malgosa, X Escude, C Roca, M De Paz, J Oliva.
INDIA: R S Rawat, Pargat Singh, Mohinder Pal Singh, M Somaya, J Carvalho, Hardeep Singh, B Subramani, Tikken Singh, M Gomes, Mohammed Shahid, Balwinder Singh.
Umpires: L Gillet (France) and R Kendrick (Ireland).

● Australia drew 2-2 with West Germany in an exciting group B match at Willesden yesterday. Australia began well with Mitton putting them in the lead after running on to a centre by Charlesworth. Eight minutes later, a superb solo run by Blocher found Reck all on his own and, despite being challenged, he managed to scramble the ball in.

In the 21st minute, West Germany went ahead from a short corner converted by Fischer but three minutes into the second half, Birmingham levelled by converting a penalty stroke.



Full stretch: Carvalho, of India, is too late with his tackle to stop the Spanish forward, Oliva (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

TENNIS

Teenagers put rosy bloom on Mappin

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

Chris Bailey, of Norfolk, aged 18, Sue McCarthy (Avon), Anne Simpkin (Leicestershire), and Kaye Hand (Berkshire), all aged 17, were the first players to draw seeded blood in the Refuge Assurance national championships at Telford yesterday. Their successes were overshadowed by a failure, however, that of Nick Brown (Cheshire), aged 25, who was beaten 6-7, 7-6, 11-9 by Andrew Castle, seeded third, in three hours and 13 minutes.

Castle is the bright young man who took Mats Wilander to five sets at Wimbledon and played for Britain in the Davis Cup tie against Australia. Brown used to be a bright young man, too. He won the 1982 prototype for these championships, played doubles for Britain in the European team championship the following year, and partnered David Felgate in a doubles win over Ken Flach and Robert Seguso at Wimbledon in 1985.

That last achievement was a bonus, as Brown gave up full-time tennis in 1984 because he could not make ends meet. He coached in Belgium and France and then came home to work for six months before moving to coach at the David Lloyd club in Hounslow.

"I was nervous," Castle said after the match. "Nick's worth getting nervous about. Until the end, I wasn't making him hit enough balls on the big points. I hadn't played a match for five or six weeks and wasn't match tight. I am now. That was a perfect match to start with – not what I wanted, but just what I needed."

Castle's concentration wandered, too. A line judge was familiar ("I kept thinking I know that guy.") The line judge was Terence Rigby, an actor remembered from the *Z Cars* series.

Virginia Wade flew in from the past and California, where she won both singles and doubles in an over-35 event on Sunday (she beat somebody called Billie Jean King but, in the process, pulled a stomach muscle that forced her to retire from her match yesterday). Roger Taylor came from Wimbledon and Ken Fletcher, that renowned Australian, popped over from Slough. On the initiative of Sue Mappin, the women's national team manager, Fletcher is working with five aspiring young ladies.

Miss Mappin, who has worked with the Lawn Tennis Association since 1979, was bubbling with optimism. "I'm looking at a larger group of young players than ever before," she said. "That's healthy – and most of them are more ambitious, technically and physically better equipped, and more professional than any other group I have been involved with since 1979."

RESULTS: Men: Singles: First round: L Davies (Salop) bt P Tibbs (Middx), 6-7, 6-2, 6-2; P Hand (Berks) bt A Broomhead (Derby), 6-4, 7-5; C Bradnam (Middx) bt M Bancow (Northants), 6-3, 7-5. Second round: A Castle (Som) bt N Brow (Cheshire), 6-7, 7-6, 11-9; C Bailey (Norfolk) bt D Felgate (Essex), 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; R Drysdale (Essex) bt R Lewis (Middx), 7-6, 6-2; J Turner (Avon) bt C Feet (Lancs), 6-2, 6-2; S Botfield (Essex) bt S Curtis (Middx), 6-4, 6-4; J Bates (Surrey) bt C Clarke (Bucks), 6-2, 6-3; N Fulwood (Derbys) bt Bradnam, 7-6, 7-5; J Smith (Devon) bt J Feaver (Dorset), 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; L Alfred (Wales) bt Hand, 7-6, 6-1. Women: Singles: First round: A Gregory (Notts) bt V Sims (Surrey), 6-1, 6-0; S Armitage (Notts) bt S Byrne (Hants), 7-5, 6-4. Second round: C Wood (Sussex) bt G Coles (Middx), 6-3, 7-6; S Gomer (Devon) bt V Lake (Devon), 6-4, 6-2; J Durie (Avon) bt R Eley (Middx), 6-1, 6-3; S McCarthy (Avon) bt A Grunfeld (Lancs), 5-7, 6-3, 6-1; K Hand (Berks) bt L Gould (Essex), 6-3, 6-2; A Hobbs (Cheshire) bt A Gregory (Notts), 6-2, 6-1; L Gracie (Lancs) bt S Armitage (Notts), 6-2, 6-2; B Borneo (Beds) bt A Fleming (Leics), 6-1, 3-6, 6-3; A Simpkin (Leics) bt D Parnell (Cheshire), 6-1, 6-1.

GOLF

Foreigners are on a par in US

Severiano Ballesteros will be able to plot his own programme for 1987 following the announcement of new regulations for foreign players on the US PGA Tour.

Ballesteros, banned for 1986 by the US Tour for failing to compete in the mandatory 15 events of the previous season, will be able to select one of three options open to foreign golfers.

Moreover the US Congress have ruled that foreign athletes who participate in events that are charity orientated – which applies to all official US PGA Tour events – will not have those days counted against the 122 they are allotted in the United States.

Ric Clarson, for the US PGA Tour, said: "In the light of that decision the policy board ratified their earlier decision to eliminate the home country rule, so that all foreign players are now treated equally, and reaffirm at 15 the number of events foreign players need to participate in to receive unlimited conflicting event releases to play on their home circuits."

Ballesteros, or any other foreign player, may now elect to take tour membership and participate in 15 events, so receiving unlimited event releases or, by playing in fewer than 15 events, forfeit that chance and apply to the commissioner for a release.

Foreign players who have not previously joined the tour may elect to participate as non-members and then compete in a maximum of five co-sponsored events each year, plus approved events such as the US Masters, US Open and US PGA Championship and including the World Series of Golf.

If Ballesteros wants a prolonged campaign in the United States he can play in 15 tournaments but he will probably settle for the easier option offered to non-members who will seek playing spots through sponsors exemptions.

Ken Schofield, executive director of the PGA European Tour, said: "I get the impression that they've tried to be accommodating. We can certainly run our tour under those regulations and I would have thought that Australia and Japan will feel the same. I believe world golf should welcome this announcement."

Marks leads in Walker Cup

Geoffrey Marks will captain the British and Irish Walker Cup team to play the Americans at Sunningdale on May 27 and 28 next year.

The Royal and Ancient, who announced his appointment yesterday, said that the squad would be chosen during the first week of December

Marks, from Madeley in Cheshire, represented his country at boy, youth and full international level, and was in the Walker Cup team in 1969 and 1971. His best championship performance was when he finished second in the English Open Amateur stroke play event in 1973 and 1975.

OLYMPIC GAMES

Signs of a Seoul boycott

East Berlin (AP) – East Germany's state-run news media have ignored the just-concluded Asian Games in Seoul, prompting fears among athletes that the communist nation might boycott the 1988 Olympics in the South Korean capital.

"It is anything but a good sign when nothing is reported on the dress rehearsal for the 1988 Olympics," one sports source here said. "There is fear again that communist nations will boycott the Seoul Olympics," another source having connections with the athletes, said.

Both sources talked to Associated Press on condition that they not be further identified for fear of reprisals by communist authorities.

While ignoring the Asian Games, which ended in Seoul last weekend, one newspaper carried an interview with a leading female athlete who said she was aiming to start in both the summer and winter Olympics. "It is my dream to start in both winter and summer Olymics in 1988," Christa Rothenburg, the cyclist and speed skater, told *Junge Welt* newspaper on Monday.

The newspaper did not mention where the winter and summer Olympics were scheduled to be held but quoted her as saying: "I have adapted my training and my life to my aim of a double Olympic start." The winter Olympics will be held in Calgary, Canada.

Rothenburg is the cycling sprint world champion who also won the silver medal in the world speed skating championships this year. Aged 26, she started her career as a speed skater and has broken six world records. She recently started competing in cycling events.

Soviet-bloc nations publicly have remained non-committal about their participation in the Seoul Games. They support the communist North Korea in its disputes with South Korea. East Germany's latest edition of the official encyclopaedia refers to South Korea's territory as "occupied land".

In August West German Olympic Committee officials said they had been told by their East German counterparts that the communist nation was preparing one of its strongest teams ever for the Seoul Olympics. North Korea has threatened to call for a boycott of the Seoul Games unless it is awarded the right to stage some events.

Talks on jointly staging the Games are going on under the auspices of the International Olympic Committee, who are trying to avert a third successive Olympic boycott. Only Cuba so far has publicly said it would join a threatened boycott led by North Korea.

Jensen moves

Düsseldorf (Reuter) – Fortuna Düsseldorf, the bottom club in the West German first division, have signed the Danish forward, Henrik-Ravn Jensen, on loan until the end of the season. Jensen, aged 21, has been playing for Vejle in Denmark's first division.

RUGBY UNION

Page turns over a new leaf

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Jacko Page, five times England's scrum half in 1971 and 1975, will captain North Midlands when they begin another county championship campaign this evening. The championship, sponsored by Thorn EMI, starts in the Midlands, with the London and northern counties joining in next week.

Page, now 39, appears at Moseley, where North Midlands entertain Notts, Lincs and Derbys, the runners-up in the 1985 final, in which the three counties fielded what was essentially a Nottingham club side. Now they draw from the club's second team and from junior sides.

That is a logical course which is certain to develop when the English club championship begins next season. It extends the experience of players from such clubs as Paviors, the Nottinghamshire and Three Counties Cup holders, who have four players at Moseley, including the captain and scrum half, Clive Rossin. Paviors play a second-round John Player Special Cup tie against Durham City on October 25.

Leicestershire's experience is similar, though they have been greatly affected by injury and unavailability in selecting the team to play Staffordshire at Burton this evening. They have depended much on Leicester's second team but have players from Westleigh, Hinckley, Oadby Wyggs and Market Bosworth in the side, so many other players being unavailable.

They would have fielded David Hope, of Stoneygate, at full back after his fine performance for Leicestershire in their win over the Japanese last week but he received a facial wound during his club's County Cup defeat against Hinckley at the weekend.

Warwickshire, the county champions, received something of a set-back to their preparations when they went down 38-4 to Glamorgan at Maesteg on Monday evening. Colin Laity, the South Glamorgan Institute and Neath centre, who has English qualifications, was one of the try scorers for Glamorgan while Warwickshire have another week to ponder their team to play the three counties next Tuesday. At much the same time Gloucestershire, semi-finalists last year, squeezed past Monmouthshire 22-19.

Surrey, who open against Middlesex next Wednesday, play a warm-up game against British Police at Imber Court this evening. They have lured Ackford away from the Police in a team containing seven Rosslyn Park players, of whom Jermyn plays at centre rather than in his club position of stand-off half. Surrey also include two Basingstoke players, Guyatt and Evans, at centre and hooker respectively, both of them having left Richmond.

FOOTBALL

Luton can expect support

Luton are confident they will receive a sympathetic hearing today when they seek permission to enforce their ban on visiting supporters in the FA Cup. Despite the Football League's refusal to accept that ban in the Littlewoods Cup, Luton's campaign against hooliganism has already received wholehearted backing from the FA's top brass.

Bert Millichip, the FA chairman, and the secretary, Ted Croker, are strongly in favour of Luton's stance, and their views are likely to be echoed by the challenge cup committee. Millichip is not a member of the 13-man committee, but has made it clear that he will attend the meeting and emphasize his belief that Luton should not be discouraged.

Under FA Cup rules, a visiting club is entitled to 25 per cent of all accommodation for which tickets are issued, but this allowance can be reduced, or even waived, in special circumstances. Unlike the League, who have not monitored Luton's "home members only" experiment, the FA sent an official delegation to Kenilworth Road to assess its effect

Millichip and Lionel Smart were among officials who watched Luton's recent home game with Arsenal. They were particularly impressed when the crowd followed, to the letter, a request for a minute's silence in memory of Harry Haslam. David Evans, the Luton chairman, is prepared to withdraw the club from football's most prestigious knockout competition if they are not allowed to keep their ban, but the FA are conscious of both Government and public opinion and seem likely to back any action which will help curb crowd trouble.

Walters back in the running for Villa

Mark Walters, the England under-21 international, will make his first appearance of the season tonight when Aston Villa play Reading in the Littlewoods Cup second round second leg tie. Walters, a winger, dislocated a shoulder in August, but is now back to fitness.

Clive Allen, scorer of 10 goals for Tottenham Hotspur this season, is expected to return to the side for tonight's visit of Barnsley to White Hart Lane, after missing Saturday's goalless draw with Luton because of a hamstring injury.

Barnsley, meanwhile, were in a quandary yesterday, with Allan Clarke, their manager, spending much of the day trying to get a Central League game postponed. Only 3-2 down from the first leg, Clarke could not finalize his side until he knew whether he also had to send a reserve side to Blackpool. With only 18 full-time professionals, he said: "I'm having enough trouble finding 13 for Spurs, let alone another 13 for Blackpool."

Andy Jones, Port Vale's top scorer, has declared himself fit for his side's big match against Manchester United at Vale Park, while John Fashanu, troubled by a kidney injury, faces a fitness test before the Wimbledon's game against Cambridge United at Plough Lane.

Middlesbrough, the third division leaders, are unchanged against Birmingham at St Andrew's, as are Blackburn, beaten 4-0 at Reading last weekend, for their game against Queen's Park Rangers

Gillingham, who lost 6-0 away to Oxford in the first leg, have put their reserve goalkeeper, Mark Beeney, aged 18, on stand-by because Ron Hillyard may be ruled out by a hamstring injury. Another teenager who could make his first-team debut is Damian Atkinson, of Ipswich – who take on Scunthorpe

Paul Hardyman, the Portmouth full-back returns after serving a one-match suspension for the match against Wrexham at Fratton Park. Portsmouth, who lead 2-1 from the first leg, have reduced admission charges by a third in an attempt to boost falling attendances.

The West Ham goalkeeper, Phil Parkes, has shaken off the effects of influenza and looks certain to maintain his ever-present record of the last two seasons in tonight's match against Preston.

Turner takes control at Wolves

Graham Turner is back in League football, as manager of Wolverhampton Wanderers, just 23 days after being dismissed as manager of Aston Villa, who are struggling in the first division.

He takes over from Brian Little, who was dismissed at the weekend after less than two months in charge. Little had lifted the Molineux club to eleventh in the fourth division following last season's relegation.

Turner, aged 39, is no stranger to the League's lower regions. He spent his playing career with Wrexham, Chester and Shrewsbury and as Shrewsbury manager led them to the third division title in 1979. He said: "It was a bitter blow to leave Villa, and a setback to my career. I am anxious to prove a point."

● Newcastle, struggling at the foot of the first division, have signed the forward, Darren Jackson, aged 20, from the Scottish second division club, Meadowbank Thistle, for £40,000. Jackson was yesterday named in the Scottish Under-21 international squad for next Tuesday's match against the Republic of Ireland in Dundalk.

ATHLETICS

Two yield positive tests

Indianapolis (Reuter) – The shot putter, Darren Crawford, and the javelin thrower, Tom Jadwin, have been suspended by The Athletics Congress (TAC) for using banned drugs, the United States governing athletics body said yesterday.

Jadwin, aged 28, tested positive for testosterone from a sample taken during the US outdoor championships in Eugene, Oregon, in June. Jadwin, who a year earlier was runner-up in the javelin at the national championships, placed sixth in Eugene.

Crawford, aged 18, returned a positive test for steroids from a sample taken at the US junior championships in Towson, Maryland, in June. Both athletes have been banned from further competition this season. Under international rules, the suspensions from track and field competition could be for life.

● SEOUL (AP) – The heavyweight boxer, Daljit Singh, of India, has been deprived of the silver medal awarded to him in the recent Asian Games after a drug test.

Games officials said that the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology conducted the test, but they would not specify what kind of drug was involved. The silver medal was awarded to Kauser Abbas, of Pakistan.

EQUESTRIANISM

Great exit by Fisher

By Jenny MacArthur

James Fisher, who has been a member of two Nation Cup teams this summer, produced an astonishing turn of foot on Hasty Exit, aged 11, at the Horse of the Year Show yesterday to win the Raffles Stakes from John Whitaker on Next San Salvador.

Whitaker's own round looked unbeatable until Fisher, who loves a challenge, managed to clip .06 of a second off his time – a performance all the more creditable as Hasty Exit does not normally compete in speed classes. This year, however, most of Fisher's winning has been at foreign shows and he has not won enough money in Britain to qualify for the big classes this week.

Peter Charles (Merrinandias), Nick Skelton (Raffles Airborne), and Malcolm Pyrah (Towerlands Fire Fox), three of the four riders who compete on the North American circuit this autumn, finished third, fourth and fifth.

If Pyrah's round yesterday was untroubled, his feelings were not. Shortly before he lodged an appeal with the Show Committee concerning the £16,000 Range Rover which he claims he has won. At Monday's big class, the Raffles Classic, on Towerlands Anglezarke, Pyrah triumphed after a tremendous race against the clock in the 15-horse jump-off. The rules state that the car would be awarded to the rider "who completes the first round of any two Raffles Classic competitions without incurring any faults, *and* wins the Raffles Classic at the Horse of the Year Show".

As Pyrah had already won one qualifier he interpreted the rules as meaning that if he won at Wembley after another clear round he would win the car. Pyrah took legal advice yesterday and then lodged his appeal with the committee which will make its decision this morning.

RESULTS: Raffles Stakes: 1, Hasty Exit (J Fisher), 0ffs, 49.96secs; 2, Next San Salvador (J Whitaker), 0, 49.92; 3, Merrimandias (P Charles), 0, 51.88. Raffles Classic: 1, Towerlands Anglezarke (M Pyrah), 0, 32.88; 2, Ned Kelly (S Pountain), 0, 33.74; 3, Next Deister (P Schockemohle), 0, 34.84. Hoechst junior foxhunter championships: 1, Southwell News (M Williams), 0, 34.44; 2, Indiana Gold (R Brown), 0, 40.55; 3, Regal Venture (V Bevan), 4, 31.89. Spillar's open dressage with jumping: 1, Poshpaws (J Cammaerts), 140.5pts; 2, Diplomat (T Lange-Robinson), 132.5; 3, Cannon Lonsdale (G Watson), 128. Spillar's novice dressage with jumping: 1, Mornington Crescent (J Scott), 105.6; 2, Pepplewick's Gamester (A Wates), 103.3; 3, Belly Murphy III (J Cumahers), 100.

Lancing hold on to earn double boost

Lancing ought to be satisfied with their efforts this past week after coming away from Winchester with a 1-1 draw and defeating Charterhouse 2-1 (George Chesterton writes). Simpson put Lancing ahead at Winchester and it was only near the end of an even match that MacLure equalized. Lancing scored first again in their home match against Charterhouse and Selman put them two ahead from a free-kick. Gray pulled one back for the visitors but Lancing managed to hold on to their lead.

Wellingborough defeated **Repton** for the second year running in a match where there was never much between the sides. Thorneycroft scored the deciding goal to make it 2-1 with 10 minutes to go.

SCHOOLS FOOTBALL

Goal-hungry Malvern

By George Chesterton

Malvern 5
Charterhouse 1

Malvern, entertaining Charterhouse on a balmy autumn afternoon, were convincing winners after an early scare. After only seconds Charterhouse hit the crossbar but Malvern rallied and before the game was a minute old, Relbeck, in the Charterhouse goal, saved well from a header by Temperton.

Douglas-Pennant opened the scoring in the tenth minute when picked up a through pass, ran into the area and gave Relbeck little chance with his shot. Minutes later Lunt controlled a high, bouncing pass and lobbed into the net to make it 2-0.

The third goal had an air of luck about it when a punched clearance rebounded rocket-like from the forehead of Ball into the net. Jenkins pulled one back for Charterhouse before half-time, lifting the ball wide off Oliver.

After the interval the pace quickened but Charterhouse were not able to reduce the deficit. Lunt, of Malvern, came close to scoring when he hit the post from 25 yards but it was Johnson-Marshall, who had worked hard throughout, who was rewarded when he gathered a long pass, turned quickly and shot from 20 yards for the best goal of the match. Ten minutes later he showed excellent control in the area before scoring his second goal of the game and Malvern's fifth.

MALVERN: M Oliver; C Haworth, F Knipe, M Drummond, J Derrington, G Lunt, F Smith, A Temperton, D Ball, H Douglas-Pennant, S Johnson-Marshall (sub: E. Titmann).

CHARTERHOUSE: J Relbeck; R Goodaire, A Ivermee, S Mellstrom, A Zervos, M Gray, M Strecker, H Bedford, C Jenkins, N Stevens, B Dow (sub: C Whinney).
Referee: T Philips (Worcester).

FOR THE RECORD

TENNIS

TELFORD: Refuge national championships: Men's singles: First round: N Brown (Cheshire) bt W Davies (Lancs), 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; C Clarke (Bucks) bt H McGuiness (Essex), 7-6, 4-6, 6-4; R Lewis (Middx) bt J Whiteford (Sussex), 7-6, 6-2; B Fancey (Durham) bt S King (Avon), 6-3, 7-5; C Bailey (Norfolk) bt M Appleton (Lancs) 6-4, 6-4; J Deer (Sussex) bt D Roberts (S Wales), 5-7, 7-6, 6-2; B Ickringill (Yorks) bt A Brice (Cheshire), 6-2, 6-4; J Feaver (Dorset) bt A Evans (Derbys), 7-6, 6-3; R Warren (Berks) bt D Beresford (Surrey), 6-4, 6-4; S Curtis (Middx) bt N Gurney (Herts), 6-2, 1-6, 7-5; D Strann (Herts) bt M Petchey (Essex), 7-6, 6-4. Women's singles: First round: R Eley (Middx) bt S Ellmore (Lincs), 6-2, 6-1; A Fleming (Lancs) bt D Schauerman (Middx), 6-3, 6-1; S Loosemore (S Wales) bt S Longbottom (Yorks), 6-1, 6-2; K Hand (Berks) bt S Godman (Surrey), 7-5, 3-6, 6-3; G Coles (Middx) bt A Hill (Devon), 6-4, 6-1; A Neapel (Lancs) bt C Petchey (Essex), 6-2, 6-1; J Langstaff (Surrey) bt C Berry (Yorks), 4-6, 7-5, 6-0; C Bateman (Essex) bt C Billingham (Oxon), 6-2, 7-5, J Donovan (Warwicks) bt A Clark (Sussex), 6-3, 6-4, S McCarthy (Avon) bt L Geaves (Middx), 6-2, 6-3, V Lake (Devon) bt T Catlin (Cambs), 6-2, 6-4.
ZURICH: European indoor women's tournament: First round: P Huber (Austria) bt I Budarova (Cz), 6-3, 6-4; N Herriman (Fr) bt J Thompson (Aus), 6-3, 6-2; L Garrone (It) bt A-M Cecchini (It) 6-1, 7-5; K Maleeva (Bul) bt S Goles (Yug), 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; C Graf (WG) bt N Tauziat (Fr), 6-1, 6-2; M Maleeva (Bul) bt B Nagelsen (US), 2-6, 6-4, 6-2; I Demongeot (Fr) bt R Fukarkova (Cz) 6-3, 6-3; E Pfaff (WG) bt J Pueizl (Austria) 5-7, 6-3, 6-1
Laura Gildemeister (Peru) beat Pat Medrado 6-7 6-7 6-0
ATP men's leading rankings: 1, I Lendl (Cz), 2, M Wilander (Swe); 3, B Becker (WG); 4, S Edberg (Swe); 5, Y Noah (Fr); 6, H Leconte (Fr), 7, J Connors (US); 8, J Nystrom (Swe); 9, M Mecir (Swe), 10, J McEnroe (US).
WITA leading rankings: 1, M Navratilova (US) 51,345 pts, 2, C Lloyd (US), 5833,755, 3, H Sukova (Cz), 3,114,882; 4, S Graf (WG), 3,455,018, 5, P Shriver (US) $448,880, 6, H Mandlikova (Cz), $346,870; 7, C Kohde-Kriesch (WG) $311,489; 8, G Sabatini (Arg) $282,111, 9, W Turnbull (Aus), $194,583; 10, K Jordan (US), $175,859
TOULOUSE: Men's grand prix tournament: First round: J Brown (US) bt H Schwaier (WG), 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; C Dilauro (Arg) bt H Fleitbacher (WG), 4-6, 6-3, 7-5; J Svensson (Swe) bt M Ostoja (Yug), 6-7, 7-6, 6-2.
SEOUL: Davis Cup: Eastern Zone final: Doubles: Yoo Jin-Sun and Kim Bong-Soo (S Korea) bt H Sharao and E Takeuchi (Japan), 4-6, 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.
SCOTTSDALE, Arizona: Scottsdale men's open: First round (US unless stated): G Layendecker bt A Agassi 6-4, 7-6; T Wilson bt M Purcell 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; J Canter bt D Cassidy 6-3, 6-3; B Teacher bt J Sadri 7-6, 3-6, 7-6; M Davis bt P Fleming 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; S Davis bt D Goldie 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; K Curren bt B Schultz 6-2, 6-2; D Pate bt M Leach 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.
BARCELONA: Exhibition tournament: T Scheuer-Larsen (Den) bt A Tarnaszan (Hung) 7-5, 6-4; R Raggi (It) bt K Jordan (US) 7-6, 2-6, 6-3.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NORTH AMERICA: NFL: Seattle Seahawks 33, San Diego Chargers 7

BADMINTON

TONBRIDGE: Radcard team challenge: Steve Baddeley's team v Mike Tredgett's team: Women's singles: G Gowers bt G Clark 11-3, 11-7. Mixed doubles: M Tredgett and N Perry bt A Goode and G Jilks 15-7, 15-12. Men's singles: S Baddeley bt G Milton 15-12, 15-6. Women's doubles: Jilks and Gowers bt Perry and Clark 15-7, 15-4. Men's doubles: Tredgett and Milton bt Goode and Baddeley 15-9, ret

GOLF

USPGA leading money winners (US unless stated): 1, G Norman (Aus), $863,296; 2, B Tway, $847,244; 3, A Bean $486,677; 4, D Pohl $449,043; 5, H Sutton, $425,918, 6, P Stewart, $405,823, 7, B Langer (WG), $372,091, 8, C Peete, $370,798, 9, J Manatley, $366,238, 10 T Kite, $356,593
British rankings: 55, S Lyle $143,415, 108, K Brown $70,878; 130, N Faldo, $50,263.
SONY RANKINGS: 1, G Norman (Aus), 1 199pts, 2, S Ballesteros (Sp), 1,004; 3, B Langer (WG) 1 004, 4, T Nakajima (Japan), 676, 5, S Lyle (GB) 587, 6, M O'Meara (US), 583, 7 H Sutton (US) 576 8, L Wadkins (US), 569, 9, T Watson (US), 548; 10, C Strenge (US), 543

SPEEDWAY

British League: Reading 43 (J Andersson 11, M Hollowsy 9), Swindon 35 (J Nilsen 13, P Crump 13); Challenge match: Newcastle 39 (D Blackburn 12, P Stead 9), Middlesbrough 45 (M Dixon 14, M Courtney 8). Other match: Exeter 59 (B Cribb 13, S Bishop 11), Young Czechoslovakia 49 (R Matousek 15, L Jedek 12).

SNOOKER

TENNENTS UK CHAMPIONSHIP: At Newton le Willows: K Owers (Eng) bt D Gilbert (Eng), 9-8. At Bootle: D Hughes (Eng) bt F Ellis (Eng), 9-6, D Roe (Eng) bt G Foulds (Eng), 9-1. At Worcester: M Morra (Can) bt B Bennett (Eng), 9-8.

FOOTBALL

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Dagenham 2, Sutton Utd 1
MULTIPART LEAGUE: Horwich 0, Barrow 1; postponed, Moseley v Goole.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: Stoke 2, Wigan 1
CAPITAL LEAGUE: Orient 0, Southend Utd 1.
MACBAR LEAGUE: Bournemouth 2, Hereford 0
VAUXHALL OPEL LEAGUE: First division: Stevenage Boro 1, Kingsbury Town 4, Second division north: Royston 0, Chesham Utd 2
SOVIET LEAGUE: Ararat Yerevan 1 Torpedo Moscow 0; Dynamo Moscow 0 Metallist Kharkov 0; Dynamo Kiev 1 Dynamo Tbilisi 3; Spartak Moscow 2 Shakhtyor Donetsk 0; Chernomorets Odessa 0 Zalgiris Vilnius 2; Dynamo Minsk 2 Torpedo Kutaisi 1; Dnepr Dnepropetrovsk 0 Zenit Leningrad 0; Kairat Alma Ata 3 Neftchi Baku 1. Leading positions: 1, Spartak Moscow, 29pts; 2, Zenit Leningrad, 28; Dynamo Tbilisi, 26.
ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: Instituto (Cordoba) 1 Independiente 2; Racing (Cordoba) 0, San Lorenzo de Almagro 0; Newell's Old Boys 1, River Plate 0; Ferro Carril Oeste 0, Talleres (Cordoba) 0, Racing Club 4, Rosario Central 3; Boca Juniors 0 Union 0; Platense 3, Gimnasia Esgrima La Plata 4, Velez Sarsfield 1, Argeentinos Juniors 0, Deportivo Italiano 2, Temperley 1, Estudiantes de la Plata 1, Deportivo Espanol 0

ENTERTAINMENTS

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CINEMAS

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 8252 (Eves/930 7515 (24 hr Access/ Visa/ AmEx Bookline) "X" MURDER BY ILLUSION (15) Sep progs 12.45 3.56 6.06 8.40. All progs bookable in advance.

LUMIERE CINEMA 379 3014/ 836 0691 ROSA LUXEMBURG (PG). Film at 1.00 3.30 6.00 8.35.

MINEMA 45 KNIGHTSBRIDGE 235 4225 HANNAH AND HER SISTERS (US) Daily: 3.0 5.0 7.0 9.0. Late Shows Fri & Sat 11.15 PM

ODEON HAYMARKET (839 7697) MONA LISA (18) Sep progs Daily 2.15 6.00 8.40 All seats bookable in advance. Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome.

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Into 930 4259 / 4289 ALIENS (18) Sep progs doors open Daily 1.00 4.15 7.30. All progs bookable in advance. Credit Card Hot Line (Access/ Visa/ AmEx) 930 3232/ 839 1929, 24 hour service. £2.50 seats available Monday all perfs.

ODEON MARBLE ARCH (725 2011) ALIENS (18) Sep progs doors open Daily 1.15 4.30 7.45. Reduced prices for Student card holders. UB40 holders, OAP's.

RENOIR 837 8402 opp. Russell Sq. Tube
1 THE DECLINE OF THE AMERICAN EMPIRE (18). Film at 2.15 4.20 6.30 8.45
2. Mike Newell's THE GOOD FATHER (15) Film at 2.30 4.35 6.45 9.00 SEATS BOOKABLE. LAST EVE. PERF

Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM. News headlines, weather, travel and sports bulletins.
6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Guy Michelmore in London and Jeremy Paxman at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 7.20 and 8.20; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Among other items is Beverly Alt's fashion report.
9.05 Conservative Party Conference 1986. Debates on energy and transport.
10.30 Play School presented by Ben Thomas, with guest, Janet Palmer.
10.50 Conservative Party Conference 1986. The debate on health is on the agenda. 12.30 approximately Ceefax.
1.00 News at One with Laurie Mayer and Chris Lowe, includes news headlines with subtitles 1.25 Regional news. The weather details come from Michael Fish. 1.30 Chock-a-Block. A See-Saw programme for the very young. (r) 1.45 Ceefax.
2.20 Conservative Party Conference 1986. The debates on local government and law and order 3.52 Regional news.
3.55 Tottie. Adventures of a doll 4.10 The Adventures of Bullwinkle and Rocky. Episode five. (r) 4.15 Heathcliff and Co. Cartoon adventures of an alley cat. 4.35 Hartbeat. The art of making pictures, with Tony Hart and Joanna Kirk.
5.00 John Craven's Newsround 5.05 Eureka. A lighthearted look at the 'invention' of everyday things including the tape recorder, the gramophone, and darts. (r)
5.35 The Horse of the Year Show from Wembley Arena includes the Riding Pony of the Year Championship. Introduced by David Vine.
6.00 News with Nicholas Witchell and Frances Coverdale. Weather.
6.35 London Plus presented by John Stapleton, Linda Mitchell, and Caroline Righton.
7.00 Wogan. David Frost introduces Jackie Collins, Little Richard, and Rory Bremner and Steve Steen who preview the Reagan/Gorbachov summit meeting. Plus a song from Pia Zadora.
7.35 The Muppet Show with guest, Leo Sayer.
8.00 Dallas. The last episode of the current series and Pam receives a shock when she opens the shower door on her wedding morning; and J.R. tries to get the better of double-dealing Angelica, and puts two lives at risk. (Ceefax)
8.50 Points of View. Barry Took with another selection of letters from the BBC's postbag.
9.00 News with John Humphrys and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.
9.30 Animal Squad. This week, RSPCA Chief Inspector Sid Jenkins and his team are seen in a race against time to re-house animals from Knaresborough Zoo which was forced to close down when Harrogate District Council refused to renew its licence. (see Choice) (Ceefax)
0.15 Sportsnight introduced by Steve Rider. The Horse of the Year Show featuring the Norwich Union Leading Jumper of the Year; and International Hockey: the World Cup from Willesden.
1.25 Rhoda. Domestic comedy series from the United States. (r)
1.50 Weather.

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Jayne Irving and Mike Morris. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55 and 9.17; Joan Collins interview at 7.15, 8.15 and 8.45; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and video report at 8.35. The After Nine guests include Emmerdale Farm actress Jean Rogers, and, discussing a post viral infection, Dr David Delvin.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 For Schools: elementary maths 9.42 Methods used to alleviate blindness 9.59 Maths: directions 10.16 Chemistry experiment - mechanism of alkene bromination 10.33 The Belle of Amherst - part one of a two-part one-woman drama starring Claire Bloom 11.00 History: the reign of Il Duce 11.22 The Pied Piper of Hamelin 11.39 Exploring the fertile valley of the River Authion in the Loire.
12.00 The Giddy Game Show. (r) 12.10 Our Backyard. (r)
12.30 Treasure Islands: Spoils of War. Robert Erskine examines reminders of past battles on these shores including a recent important find - a war-like Anglo-Saxon helmet. (r)
1.00 News at One 1.20 Thames news.
1.30 Man in a Suitcase. McGill arranges a meeting between two old Spanish Civil War comrades. With Rupert Davies and Cyril Shaps. (r) 2.30 Dining in France. Pierre Salinger meets chef Jacques Maximin.
3.00 Take the High Road. Drama serial set on a Scottish highland estate 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and Daughters.
4.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends. Ringo Starr narrates two more stories 4.10 The Trap Door. Animated adventure series 4.20 T-Bag Strikes Again 4.45 Hold Tight! Inter-school quiz plus pop music from Amazulu and Screaming Blue Messiahs.
5.15 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz game for teenagers, introduced by Bob Holness.
5.45 News 6.00 Thames news with Andrew Gardner and Tricia Ingrams.
6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with an up-date on the cleaning-up of the Grand Union Canal; and news of benevolent charities.
6.35 Crossroads. Sid and Mrs Meacher are struck by Cupid's darts.
7.00 The Buckman Treatment. Rob Buckman visits Ontario.
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)
8.00 Pass the Buck. Quiz game for couples presented by George Layton.
8.30 Slinger's Day. Comedy series starring Bruce Forsyth as a supermarket manager. (Oracle)
9.00 King and Castle. In tis final story of the series Ronald King has to persuade a rival debt collecting agency to leave the area because they are running him out of business. (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten and weather followed by Thames news headlines.
10.30 Midweek Sport Special introduced by Nick Owen. There are highlights from the RealMadrid v Barcelona clash, and a profile of Barcelona's Gary Lineker; plus action from tonight's Littlewoods Cup competition.
11.40 World Chess Championship. The closing games in Leningrad.
12.05 That's Hollywood. A selection from the scariest films.
12.30 Night Thoughts.



Julie T Wallace: in the Fay Weldon serial, BBC2, 9.25pm

CHOICE

● Easy enough to talk about romance being reality at its most radiant when you're a slim, coolly smouldering beauty of a mink-clad prize-winning novelist, strolling with your new lover along the moonlight coast towards your converted lighthouse home complete with hot and cold running manservant. Not so easy, though, to keep thinking beautiful thoughts when you're the deceived wife, and you're hefty and clumsy and have four hairy moles on your face. Although the poor creature says in episode one of Fay Weldon's extraordinary tale THE LIFE AND LOVES OF A SHE DEVIL (BBC2, 9.25pm), that people like her survive by waiting for old age to equalise all things, there are strong (not to say horrific) indications that not only is she not going to wait that long, but that she herself is going to settle scores with the luxurious seductress. A revenge, story, then. And a mordant comedy. And a love story. And a pathetic tragedy. And, as the weeks progess, heaven knows what else besides. I enjoyed *She Devil* because it is refreshingly unpredictable. I reserve judgment on Julie T Wallace's vengeful wife. Either she has perfected the art of self-effacement, or her inexperience (this is her first major role on television) is showing through.

● Surprisingly, there is nothing of *She Devil's* bold visual sexuality in part one of the documentary series THE TROUBLE WITH SEX (BBC2, 10.25), although during the troubled young couple's sessions with two sex therapists, there is a great deal of explicit talk about close encounters of the bedroom kind. The object of the counselling is expressed as the refinement of skills that are the physical equivalents of culinary know-how: i.e. good cooks avoiding serving burnt potatoes and soggy cabbage. An inelegant phrase, but characteristic of this series' commendably down-to-earth approach.

● Also recommended: ANIMAL SQUAD (BBC1, 9.30pm), which, though about the death of a zoo, keeps us in suspense to the very last minute about which of the animals must die too.... BEHIND THE BAMBOO SCREEN (BBC2, 8.05pm) is about Chinese TV, not politics. We learn that they need not always be the same thing.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax.
9.15 Daytime on Two: housing problems in Glasgow 9.35 Ceefax 10.00 For four- and five-year olds 10.15 The nature of paper and how it is made 10.38 Science: colour 11.00 Words and pictures for the very young 11.17 Heads, bodies, and legs 11.40 Basic French language skills.
12.02 Maths:trigonometry 12.25 Working at a Garden Centre 12.48 Getting around in Spain 1.10 Analysing an interview 1.38 Three important industries in Aberdeen 2.00 Thinkabout 2.15 Making a documentary.
2.35 Ceefax.
3.50 Conservative Party Conference 1986. The debate on defence.
5.30 News summary with subtitles. Weather.
5.35 Harold Lloyd* Excerpts from two of the comedian's film made in 1919 - Ask Father and Captain Kidd's Kids. (r)
6.00 Film: Seventh Cavalry (1956) starring Randolph Scott and Barbara Hale. Captain Tom Benson is accused of cowardice after he escapes from the Battle of Little Big Horn. In order to prove his bravery he volunteers for an impossible task - recovering the body of General Custer from the massacre site. Directed by Joseph H Lewis.
7.10 100 Great Sporting Moments. The 1975 Wimbledon Men's Singles Final between the holder, Jimmy Connors, and Arthur Ashe.
7.35 Travellers in Time: By Sledge Across Greenland. The story of the 1930 expedition to Greenland by the German scientist Alfred Wegener which was intended to be a year-long study of the meteorology, geology, and glaciology of the ice-cap.
8.05 Behind the Bamboo Screen. In this first of two programmes David Jessel examines China's television industry.
9.00 M*A*S*H. Hawkeye's romantic picnic with a pretty nurse is abruptly halted by a sniper who then turns his attentions to the rest of the 4077th personnel, creating panic among the medics. (r)
9.25 The Life and Loves of a She Devil. Episode one of a four-part dramatization by Ted Whitehead of Fay Weldon's novel about a deserted wife who wreaks revenge on her errant husband in a diabolocal manner. Starring Dennis Waterman, Patricia Hodge, and Julie T Wallace. (Ceefax) (see Choice)
10.25 The Trouble with Sex. The first of an eight-part series dealing with a variety of commonly experienced sexual difficulties and the help that is available to overcome the problems. This programme examines the world of the sex therapist. (see Choice)
10.55 Newsnight introduced by Peter Snow
11.50 Weather.

CHANNEL 4

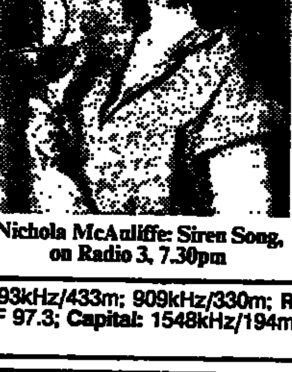
2.30 Film: Thoroughly Modern Milly (1967) starring Julie Andrews and Mary Tyler Moore. Musical comedy, set in Twenties New York, about two innocents who find romance after first brushing with Mrs Meers (Beatrice Lillie) who operates a white slave trading racket. Directed by George Roy Hill.
5.00 Alice. The final programme of the series, and after Mel sells his diner to a property developer, he, his staff, and regular customers, reflect on the good times they have had together.
5.30 The Abbott and Costello Show* Their landlord complains about the row when Bud and Lou throw a party for their friend Hillary.
6.00 Flashback: We Are What We Are. This final programme of the series examines the dominant style of Seventies television and at the feminist films which opposed the style. (Oracle) (r)
6.30 Conference Report. Glyn Mathias introduces highlights from the day's proceedings at the Conservative Party Conference in Bournemouth.
7.00 Channel 4 News.
7.50 Comment. The political slot this week is taken by Giles Radice the Shadow Secretary of State for Education. Weather.
8.00 Talking to Writers. Hermione Lee in conversation with Yehuda Amichai, Israel's leading poet who has a selection of his poetry published in Britain this week. (Oracle)
8.30 Diverse Reports: Milton Keynes - Bursting the Red Balloon. Paul Clifford, a former housing officer with the Milton Keynes Development Corporation, reveals that the losers in the New Towns' battle forfresh population are the manual workers who have little chance of finding a job and even less of a hope of finding accommodation.
9.00 Down the Line. The first of a new series examining current events from a Scottish point-of-view. Malcolm Rifkind comments on the state of the Conservative Party in Scotland; there is a report on the Scottish end of the teachers' pay dispute; the story of how colour television reached the isle of Skye almost 20 years after everywhere else; and a review of Edinburgh's arts and architecture.
10.00 The Deliberate Death of a Polish Priest. A dramatized reconstruction of the trial of the Polish security officers accused of murdering Father Jerzy Popieluszko. Written by Ronald Harwood from a transcript of the proceedings.
12.00 Film: The Case of the River Morgue* (1956) Scotland Yard investigate the mystery of a body stolen from a mortuary. Directed by Montgomery Tully. Ends at 12.35.

Radio 4

On long wave. (s) Stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves (s)
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time. Experts answer listeners' queries (r)
10.30 Morning Story: A Story of a Good Dog, by James Stephens. Reader: Robert Rietty.
10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 110) (s)
11.00 News; Travel: The Last Crusade: Recollections of the Jarrow March in October 1936, when 200 men marched to London as a protest against unemployment.Their story is told in this commemorative documentary.
11.48 Enquire Within. Experts tackle listeners' questions.
12.00 News: You and Yours. Consumer advice.
12.27 Father Brown Stories by G K Chesterton (1) The Perishing of the Pendragons. With Andrew Sachs in the title role (r) (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World At One; News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes an interview with Princess Michael of Kent.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play: There's Rosemary, That's For Remembrance, by Helen Walker. With Avril Clark and Deborah Joel (s)
3.47 One Man and His Log. Continuing Barry Pilton's account of a barge trip up a Burgundy canal. Read by David Roper.
4.00 News
4.05 File on 4 (r)
4.45 Kaleidoscope Extra. The Cheltenham Festival of Literature.
5.00 PM. News magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather
6.00 News; Financial Report
6.30 Round Britain Quiz. Irene Thomas and Eric Korn v Fred Nicholls and Jack Jones.
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 In Business [new series]. With Peter Smith.
7.45 Antony Hopkins Talking About Music. An illustrated lecture (s)
8.15 Analysis: A Giant Leap for Europe. David Wheeler examines the issues that will dominate European space policy for the next two decades.
9.00 Thirty-Minute Theatre. Before the Roses, by Stephen Short. With Andrew Livingstone and Diane Whitley (r)(s)
9.30 Further Up The Tyne In A Flummox. Leonard Barras reads one of his own stories.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on Innocence at the Gate Theatre, Dublin, and John Updike's book Roger's Version.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Hangover Square (3). Read by Nick Dunning. 10.25 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
11.45 Music At Night. Paul Crossley plays piano music by Poulenc (s)
12.00 News; Weather. 12.33 Shipping
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 11.00 Singing Together (s) 11.20 Junior Drama Workshop (s) 11.40 Reading Corner (s) 11.50 Poetry Corner. 1.55-3.00pm For Schools: 1.55 Listening Corner (s) 2.05 Looking at Nature (s) 2.20 Let's Make A Story! (s) 2.30 Pictures in Your Mind 2.40 Using Unemployment. 5.50-5.55 PM (Continued). 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-time Broadcasting: Deutsch fur die Oberstufe

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Concert: Rossini (La cambiale di matrimonio overture), Boccherini (Cello Concerto in D, G 479: Rostropovich, soloist), Mozart (Ruhe sanft, Saide, with Popp ,soprano), Haydn (Symphony No 77). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (continued): Berlioz (Rob Roy overture), Chausson (Poeme, with Ginette Neveu, violin. In mono), Debussy (Iberia, Images). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Franz Schmidt. Symphony No 3, played by Slovak PO under Libor Pesek.
10.00 Beaux Arts Trio. Haydn (Piano Trio in A, H XV 18), and Smetana (Piano Trio in G minor, Op 15)
10.45 Mozart and Gounod: Albion Wind Ensemble. Mozart (Serenade in C minor, K 388), Gounod (Petite symphonie)
11.30 Matinee Musicale: BBC Concert Orchestra (under Seaman), with Philip Martin (piano). Vaughan Williams (The Wasps overture). Delius (On hearing the first cuckoo in spring). Litolff (Scherzo: Concerto Symphonique No 4), Elgar (Overture, Serenade and March, The Wand of Youth), Schumann (Aufschwung; Warum?; Traumes Wirren, Fantasy Pieces, Op 12), Tchaikovsky (Scene, Danse des cygnes, Valse, from Swan Lake)
12.30 The Essential Jazz Records: Max Harrison with recordings by, inter alia, the Modern Jazz Quartet and Duke Ellington and his Orchestra. 1.00 News
1.05 Concert Hall: Hamish Milne (piano).. Haydn (Sonata in C, H XVI 50), McCabe (Variations, Op 22), Chopin (Impromptu in G flat Op 51, and Polonaise-fantasy in A flat, Op 61)
2.00 Raphael Ensemble: Lennox Berkeley (String Trio Op 19), Bridge (Sextet in E flat)
2.50 Record Review: with Paul Vaughan includes Alan Blyth comparing recordings of Wagner's Siegfried, and Richard Osborne.
4.00 Choral Evensong, from Manchester Cathedral. 4.55 News
5.00 Midweek Choice. Cimarosa (Intermezzo giocoso, Il maestra di cappella), Reger (Variations and fugue on theme by Bach: Alesander Slobodyanik, piano), Mozart (Horn Quintet in E flat, K 407, with Sebastian Huber, horn), Tippett (song-chcle The Heart's Assurance, with Peter Pears, tenor). Wagner (Tristan and Isolde symphonic synthesis, arr Stokowski)
7.00 Choral Voices: Exon Singers (under Christopher Tolley). Victoria (Ave Maria, and motet Vadam, et circumbo civitatem), Mendelssohn (Six anthems, Op 79)
7.30 Siren Song: play with music by Stephen Wyatt and Jenny Sprince. With Nichola McAuliffe as Julie de Maupin, and Gwen Cherrell, Edward de Souza, Bruce Liddington, Oz Clarke in the cast.
8.40 French Music - old style.



Nichola McAuliffe: Siren Song, on Radio 3, 7.30pm

Vincent d'Indy's Suite in D, Op 24, with Jean -Francois Paillard CO and solo instrumentalists
9.00 Philharmonia Orchestra (under James Loughran and Witold Lutoslawski. With Jorge Bolet (piano). Part one. Beethoven (Consecration of the House overture, and Piano Concerto No 5)
9.55 Six Continents. Angus McDermid with foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC
10.15 Concert: part two. Lutoslawski's Symphony No 3 (under the composer)
11.00 Manchester Chamber Concert: Lindsay String Quartet. Haydn (String Quartet in G, Op 54 No 1), and Mendelssohn (String Quartet in E flat, Op 12). 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
News on the hour. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only). 9.55 plus Horse of the Year show at 11.02pm
4.00am Charles Nove 5.30 Ray Moore 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Gloria Hunniford 3.30 David Hamilton 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Folk On 2 8.30 Another Digance Indulgence. Richard Digance and guests 9.00 National Brass Band Contest of Great Britain 1986. From the Royal Albert Hall, London. 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 Can I Take That Again? [new series] The blunders that happen when broadcasting doesn't go as planned 10.15 The Flying Pickets 10.30 The Barron Knights: In Town Tonight 11.00 Brian Matthew 1.00am Richard Clegg 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

Radio 1

MF (medium wave) VHF in stereo (see end of Radio listings1)
News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 8.30pm then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight
5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat (Frank Patridge) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 5.45 Bruno Brookes (incl Top 30 album chart) 7.30 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel. VHF Stereo Radios 1 & 2: – 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00pm As Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk 7.00 News 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Classical Record Review 8.30 Quote, Unquote 9.00 News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 Lyrics and Lyricists 10.00 News 10.01 Omnibus 110.30 My Music 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 International Gardeners 11.25 A Letter From Wales 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Nature Notebook 12.25 The Farming World 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours 1.30 Development '86 2.00 Outlook 2.45 Report on Religion 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Historians 3.30 Jarvis's Frayn 4.00 News 4.09 Commentary 4.15 Counterpoint 4.45 The World Today 5.00 News 5.09 Letter from Wales 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Assignment 9.00 News 9.01 Network UK 9.15 Album Time 9.45 Recording of the Week 10.00 News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter From Wales 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 Good Books 11.30 Top Twenty 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Jarvis's Frayn 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Waveguide 1.40 Book Choice 1.45 Growing Points in Science 2.00 News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Network UK 2.30 Assignment 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 3.30 The Domesday Book: 900 Years On 4.00 Newsdesk 4.30 Classical Record Review. All times in GMT.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 Juice 11.25-11.55 Film '86 11.55-12.00 News SCOTLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland. NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm-5.40 Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 Video Picture Show 11.50-11.55 News ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines.

ULSTER As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Something to Treasure 1.20 Lunchtime 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 3.30-4.00 Wild World of Animals 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.35 Crossroads 11.40 That's Hollywood 12.10am News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Ten Green Bottles 1.20 Granada Reports 1.30-2.30 Randall and Hopkirk (Deceased) 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00 Granada Reports 6.30-6.35 This Is Your Right 11.30 Hunter 12.35am Company.

TVS As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Bygones 1.20 News 1.30 Short Story Theatre 2.00-2.30 Problem Page 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 11.40 Mona Lisa – the Picture 12.10am Company.

ANGLIA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Look Who's Talking 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 11.40 Darts 12.40am Suffolk Angle, Closedown.

S4C 11.10am Gweld a Siarad 11.25 Ffenestri 11.45 Interval 12.05pm Film: Manpower 2.00 Pupget Show 2.35 The Arabs 3.30 Flashback 4.05 Ffalabalam 4.15 Cadwgan 4.30 Smyrffs 4.55 Triciau Trevor 5.20 I Could Do That 6.00 Brookside 6.30 Barry Setback and the Big Wide World 7.00 Newyddion Saith 7.30 O'r Gogledd I Watford 8.00 Geraint Griffiths – 'Nol ar y Stryd 8.30 Halen Yn Y Gwaed 9.05 Film: Paper Moon 11.00 Diverse Reports 11.30 Conservative Conference 12.00 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Lunchtime Live 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 The Baron 6.00-6.35 Calendar 11.40 Legman 12.40am-6.00 Music Box.

SCOTTISH As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Survival 1.20 News 1.30 Live at One-Thirty 2.00-2.30 That's Hollywood 3.00-4.00 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 Scotland Today 10.30 Scotsport 11.40 Late Call 11.45 Mona Lisa – The Picture 12.15am Sorley Maclean at 75 12.20 Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardening Time 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Champions 6.00-6.35 News 11.40 Tales from the Darkside 12.10am Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 9.30am-12.00 Schools 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six.

BORDER As London except: 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 3.00 Country Ways 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors 6.00-6.35 Lookaround 11.40 Show Express 12.10am Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Orphans of the Wild 1.25 Where the Jobs are 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 11.40 Comedy Tonight 12.10 William Tyndale, Closedown.

TSW As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Gardens for All 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 5.15 Gus Honeybun 5.20-5.45 Crossroads 6.00 Today South West 6.30-7.00 Emmerdale Farm 11.40 Hotel 12.35am Postscript. Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 That's Hollywood 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.35 North Tonight 11.40 California Highways 12.10am News 12.15 Sorley Maclean at 75 12.25 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 12.30pm-1.00 Something to Treasure 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Scarecrow and Mrs King 6.00 Crossroads 6.25-7.00 News 11.40 Film: Order of Death 1.40am Jobfinder 2.40 Closedown.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

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Four-try Oti has Japan in knots

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

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Chris Oti, the former Durham University wing who begins at Cambridge this term, led the Combined England Students's slaughter of the Japanese in the penultimate match of their tour at Iffley Road, Oxford, yesterday. He scored four tries as the touring side crashed by three goals, four tries, two penalty goals and a drop goal to a try, their heaviest defeat.

An aerial bombardment in the opening minutes was followed by some rolling mauls, much in vogue, in which Robinson was strong. The students scrum however, looked less certain and although Combe stole a heel against the head, the Japanese looked stronger.

The students, admittedly inspired by the strong Oxford contingent, nevertheless found direct inspiration and scoring power from the provinces. Webb, the Bristol University full back, quickly stamped his mark upon the game with a penalty and also demonstrate his agility in attack. He challenged strongly for the South-West divisional place last season and Martin, of Bath, must watch his laurels

Oti scored the first try after Roberts gathered an untidy Japanese scrum ball and linked with Risman on the blind side; his second try came directly from Webb's high-stepping run.

Webb's second penalty gave the students a 14-0 half-time lead, which the touring side promptly chipped away at thanks to the speed of their handling. Robinson smothered Matsuo in a tackle, but the ball escaped and Sato skipped down the centre for a fine try. Japan's brief period of domination was broken by Johnson's break. The stand-off half capped a useful performance by dropping a goal and when Roberts ran 40m down the totally undefended blind side of a maul, the Japanese position became desperate.

Hirao and Kutsuki raised the siege occasionally, but could do nothing about the student domination of the loose ball. Harriman scorched clear with two beautiful outside swerves and Oti was robbed of a third try after a splendid 60m run by a foot in touch. It made no difference. Rydon broke clear from a dropped Japanese ball and Oti went over after a 50m run.

SCORERS: Combined England Students: Tries, Oti (4), Roberts, Harriman, Rydon. Conversions, Webb (3). Penalties, Webb (2). Dropped goal, Johnson. Japan XV: Try, Sato.
COMBINED ENGLAND STUDENTS: J Webb (Bristol); C Oti (Durham), J Rieman (Oxford), R Rydon (Oxford), A Harriman (Oxford); A Johnson (Oxford), S Roberts (Oxford); V Ubogo (Birmingham), P Combe (Cambridge), A Mullins (Durham), W Stileman (Cambridge), S O'Leary (Cambridge), T Marvin (Oxford), A Robinson (Loughborough), T Edbrook (Exeter, capt).
JAPAN XV: S Mukai; I Sato, E Kutsuki, S Hirao, S Onuki; K Matsuo, H Ikuta; T Nakano, T Tai, T Kimura, T Hayashi, Y Sakuraba, Y Kaysai, M Tsuchida, M Chida.
Referee: R S Clarke (Surrey).

Compromise on tour payments will help change

By Paul Martin

The chances of significant change to Rugby Union's amateur code are to be substantially bolstered today by a new plan, from a key International Rugby Board representative, that provides financial aid to players who have to tour without paid leave.

The new proposal, a compromise between the full-scale salary reimbursement favoured by the French and stubborn resistance to the concept of hardship payment from Scotland and England, has been drawn up by Harry McKibbin, of Ireland, chairman of the IRB's amateurism sub-committee which deliberates today in London. The initiative has, therefore, been taken up by Ireland rather than, as had earlier appeared, France and Australia.

"It is a means of helping players whose bosses refuse to make up their wages on international tours" he told *The Times*. He said it would be "fairly broad" but declined to provide details, saying only he expected the new formula to "take my colleagues a bit by surprise". He confirmed that the payment would be made by the rugby unions, not by private sponsors.

It was, he said, a "completely new mixture" of the five options his sub-committee had been examining. He stressed the need for at least an agreement in principle to a new regulation. If this was not done now, the board would be pilloried, "and quite rightly so," he added. It is understood that the compromise is aimed at helping assuage England, still seen as, for reasons that are unclear, a leading influence in the game.

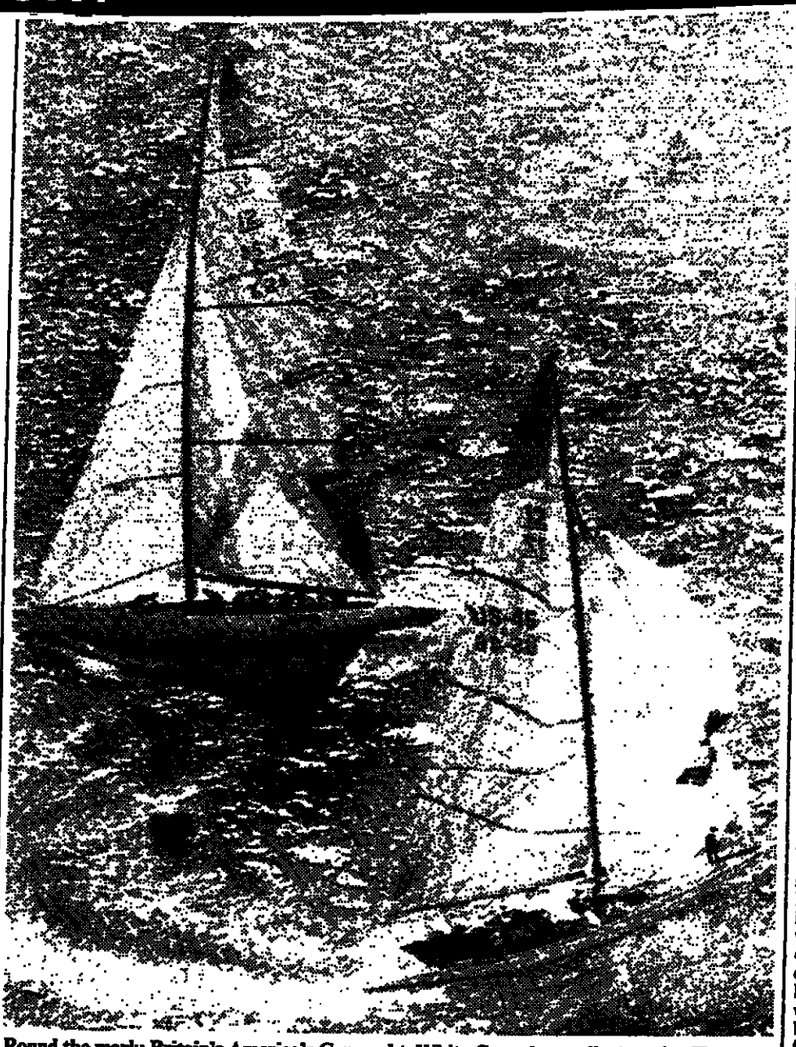
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The English and Scottish are deeply concerned that such financial arrangements would breach the dyke holding back professionalism. But the new proposal would still leave the prohibition on "compensation for loss of earnings or for broken time" intact. "Broken time is too emotive to meddle with," McKibbin said.

According to documents obtained by *The Times*, McKibbin had already submitted one proposal at the sub-committee's meeting in June, in which he accepted that unions should grant a "special allowance" to players who "suffer temporary hardship as a result of their involvement in the game beyond normal non-working time" — phraseology considered too vague.

McKibbin's earlier proposal, presumably not far different from his present one, included a communications allowance, permitting players to make free telephone calls to their homes. It would have allowed the host nation to agree to step up the grant fixed annually by the IRB. There is already a daily allowance on tours, which is seen as pocket money rather than payment.

Crucially, the Welsh are understood to be sympathetic to the idea of compensation, though, in their own submission, they have linked such payments to "actual financial loss suffered". The Welsh IRB representative, Keith Rowlands, yesterday would only express the "hope" that significant changes could be brought about at the meetings.



Round the mark: Britain's America's Cup yacht, White Crusader, trails America II yesterday on her way to her first defeat in preliminary trials off Fremantle. Report, page 39

Through a pint glass darkly

By George Ace

There is a growing feeling among the boxing faithful in Northern Ireland, and in Belfast in particular, that suggests that the Eastwood-McGuigan saga has reached tiresome proportions. And the general attitude of the average follower, and others less interested, is that neither manager nor boxer has shown any regard for the legion who supported them solidly from day one five years ago.

It is perhaps best exemplified in a yarn I had a few nights ago with one Barney Hughes, who spent his working life shifting cargo at the Belfast docks and taking in the almost nightly boxing shows that Belfast offered in the 1920s and 1930s, the principal venue being Ma Copley's Chapel Fields arena — a large marquee on a piece of vacant ground in the city centre — where boxing took place twice a week.

Barney tells a wonderful story of a Saturday night in the Fields when the start of hostilities was delayed slightly while the boxers pushed their claims for an extra half a crown. Ma Copley, a buxom lady who promoted the shows, would have none of it. "Every bloody fight was over in the first round," Barney recalls. "There were ructions but it was a memorable night. It never happened again, though I understand the lads had to settle for a florin."

A crying shame for the game

On the Eastwood-McGuigan affair Barney does not mince his words. Seated in his favourite hostelry on the north side of Belfast, he said: "A bloody disgrace. Eastwood has done well out of the people of this province; he started out with a small pub in Carrickfergus and a bookmaker's shop. He's now a multi-millionaire. McGuigan is not short of a few bob, either, if the house he lives in in Kilrooskey and the cars he drives are anything to do by. Good luck to them but it is a crying shame that boxing has to suffer because too millionaires fall out over a few quid.

"Don't mind if I do. Yes, a pint, please. All this talking dries up your throat but, sure, it's a great way to spend a night, a bit of crack and a pint.

"It would appear that neither give a damn for the fans who have supported them from the days and stayed with them when it meant saving up for weeks to buy a ticket for a King's Hall show and for months to make the trip to London to see Barry win his world title.

"What a night that was, although I'll tell you something, it didn't compare with the night he beat that La Porter [Juan Laporte] fella at the King's Hall. That was some fight. I can't remember seeing a better one, although Gilroy and Caldwell wasn't bad in the early Sixties.

"I reckon that's about all the fans are left with now, is memories. That's what makes this stupid bust-up all wrong. Nobody's going to win except the lawyers and boxing is the biggest loser.

"Although, mind you, that wee trainer fella McGuigan used to have, Eddie What's-is-Name, mustn't have done too badly out of the son. What a load of crap. Whoever heard of him before McGuigan turned professional. Whenever Barry had a big one coming up Eastwood brought in top men from America to coach the kid and give him advice. That must have cost a right few quid and didn't say a lot for Eastwood's faith in his trainer.

Second thoughts on two heroes

"You wouldn't really know what happened between McGuigan and Eastwood but no matter what it was it should never have been allowed to come to this. McGuigan was a great wee batterer and Eastwood seemed a right fella, too. But I'm beginning to have second thoughts about both of them, although I am not so sure that if it was left to just the two of them they couldn't sort it out.

"At the moment there are too many dogs having their bark. One thing is for sure, I won't be at another Eastwood promotion; I'll watch my boxing on the telly from now on and, so far as McGuigan is concerned, well, if he was boxing at the corner of the street I don't think I'd want to know.

"I don't mind if I do. Yes, a pint, please.

"Do you remember the night . . . ?"

McLaughlin told he must stay

John Hollins, the Chelsea manager, has told his Scottish centre half, Joe McLaughlin, that he will not be allowed to leave the club, especially in the middle of their present problems.

Hollins was shocked by the defender's transfer request on the eve of tonight's second leg of the Littlewoods Cup second round tie at home to the third division club York City, who lead 1-0.

But he has clamped down on the growing unrest among his players, and added weight to his words with the threat of a shake-up in an effort to spark Chelsea's first home win of the season. McLaughlin, Kerry Dixon and David Speedie are all under threat of losing their places.

"I've had his transfer request, I've looked at it and spoken to him. He now knows he's not leaving Chelsea," Hollins said yesterday. "I understand his situation but he has no option but to accept the decision."

McLaughlin, aged 26, who feels Chelsea's poor start has hurt his international chances, is challenged by the inclusion of Steve Wicks, the £450,000 summer signing from Queen's Park Rangers, in a 17-man squad. Colin Lee, with three goals in two games for the reserves, could threaten either out-of-form forwards, Dixon or Speedie.

● Newcastle are likely to be without their captain, Glenn Roeder, for the Littlewoods Cup visit of Bradford City. A stomach upset has kept the experienced defender in bed for four days. "The odds are against him", the manager Willie McFaul, said. McFaul also has John Bailey (hamstring), Billy Whitehurst (thigh) and goalkeepr Martin Thomas (ankle) under treatment.

● Halifax Town yesterday asked the Inland Revenue for more time to clear a £70,000 income tax debt. The fourth division club were recently given six months to pay up but want the term extended to a year.

● Stoke, bottom of the second division with only one win in nine games, yesterday put Tony Kelly and Keith Bertschin on the transfer list, in an attempt to raise money for new signings.

● Southampton will be without Joe Jordan, their former Scotland international, for tonight's Littlewoods Cup tie at Swindon. Jordan underwent an operation yesterday to re-set his nose, which was broken in last Saturday's game against Newcastle. George Lawrence, scorer of two goals in Southampton's 3-0 first-leg victory at The Dell a fortnight ago, has a torn shoulder muscle and is also unlikely to play.

A drop of Scotch for Scots

The whisky firm of Whyte and Mackay are to support Scotland's home fixtures to the tune of £350,000 over the next four years. The deal will cover all of the nation's European Championship and World Cup qualifying games at Hampden Park until 1990 as well as friendlies. The exception will be the Scotland-England game

Peter Gardiner, the Scottish FA vice-president, welcomed the deal. "Match sponsorship is a common occurrence at club level but this is an innovation on the international scene," he said.

Michael Lunn, the managing director of Whyte and Mackay, in announcing the package at Hampden yesterday, said: "We are the first company to support Scottish football at international level.

The deal begins with Scotland's game against Luxembourg at Hampden Park on November 12.

● Celtic will decided today whether to travel to Kiev for their European Cup second-round tie later this month. They have received information from radiation experts concerning the region around Chernobyl and Jack McGinn, their chairman, confirmed last night that the club doctor had asked some supplementary questions, the answers to which are expected today.

Indian athletes to face music after Games flop

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

India's sportsmen returning home from the tenth Asian Games in South Korea find themselves in the centre of an anguished enquiry about how they came to perform so badly. With the second largest population in the world to draw from, a long history of participation in competitive events, a rising standard of living and official encouragement, India sent 300 contenders to Seoul, the largest team it has ever sent abroad, full of hope, and apparently in good heart.

The Chinese won 94 golds in their total of 222, the South Korean hosts won 93 golds in a total of 224, while the Japanese collected 58 golds in a total of 211.

The Indians, however, struck gold only five times, silver nine times and bronze 23 times. Of the Indian gold medals, four were won by the woman athlete, Pilavulakandi Thekkeparambil Usha.

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, was reported by one news agency here to have telephoned Mrs Margaret Alva, the Sports Minister, who accompanied the team to Seoul, to say that if the only medals were going to be won by Miss Usha and her fellow southern Mesomorph, Miss Shiny Abraham, then what was the point of wasting all that public money in taking the other 298?

To be fair to the Indian athletes there has been very little complaint from them about partial umpiring by the South Koreans, though they have suffered to some extent from certain harsh decisions.

Shiny Abraham, for example, would have had the gold in the 800 metres, if she had not been disqualified for briefly leaving her lane, even though she obstructed no one.

But some keen decisions undoubtedly helped, for example, the South Korean hockey team to gold. Not that gentler umpiring would necessarily have helped India.

The hockey players were perhaps India's biggest disappointment. Since the barefoot debut of the Indian hockey team rocked the Amsterdam games in 1928, the game has seemed to be dominated by the Indians. This time they failed even to make the final. The football team lost every match they played.

Hoodwinking the selectors

According to the *Hindustan Times*, the principal Delhi English language newspaper, the Indian throwers failed because they have been hoodwinking the selectors.

"Their performance outside (the country) has always been inferior to what they have been registering during the trials at home. It is alleged that they take performance invigoration drugs to make the qualifying grades, but dare not touch them during competitions for fear of being disqualified," the paper said yesterday.

The gymnastic team kept collapsing on the mats, the pommels or their bottoms, according to one participant because "in India we are not provided with rubber safety mats, so we are forced to practise on grass. Unless we improve and update our equipment Indian gymnasts will continue to do badly".

But the main reason which every one gives, and which the *Hindustan Times* too endorses, for India's failure is politics. In the hockey, for example, the Indian federation is accused of starving itself of talent, by refusing to use the son of a man who has fallen out of favour with the selectors.

In swimming, the man who trained the probables was not allowed to accompany the team to Seoul, because he was not an Indian. A dozen other aquatics officials went along with their families, however, just for the ride.

The Sports Ministry refused permission for a table tennis manager to go along, and the newspaper calls for an inquiry into the activities of the Indian shooting team. A 26-strong squad won only three medals, and "a probe into their repeated misadventures in the recent years should make an interesting study", the paper says.

"The first and foremost job at hand for our minister," concludes the *Hindustan Times*, "is to streamline the working of the department of sports, being run by bureaucrats who have no basic link with sports, and are guided by old vested interests."

Opportunity knocks as Germans plan ahead

Bonn (Reuter) — Franz Beckenbauer, the West German manager who is already looking ahead to the 1988 European championship, yesterday named four uncapped players in his squad for next week's international match against Spain.

Beckenbauer, who introduced two new players in last month's 2-0 away win over Denmark, is expected to give first caps to at least two of the quartet against the Spaniards, in Hanover, on October 15. The Bayern Munich left back Hans Pfluegler, appears to have the strongest claim but his club colleague, forward Roland Wohlfarth, Wolfram Wuttke, Kaiserslautern's gifted midfield player, and the Nuremberg forward Dieter Eckstein, also have a good chance of being selected.

More than half of the team who reached the World Cup finals in Mexico have retired from international football and Beckenbauer has been rejuvenating his side with a view to the 1988 European tournament, which is being staged in West Germany. The two who made their debuts against the Danes, Thomas Hoerster, a sweeper, and Juergen Kohler, a defender, did so well that both are likely to be retained.

Beckenbauer said he would also definitely play Herbert Waas, of Bayer Leverkusen, up front in place of the injured Rudi Voeller.

SQUAD: H Schumacher, E Immat; K Augenthaler, T Berthold, G Buchwald, M Frontzeck, T Hoerster, J Kohler, H Pfluegler, L Matthaeus, U Rahn, W Rolff, O Thon, W Wuttke; K Allofs, D Eckstein, H Gruendel, M Rummenigge, R Wohlfarth, H Waas.

● Madrid (Reuter) — The Spanish first division club Osasuna, face a fine or the closure of their stadium for one match after Real Madrid players were showered with missiles from the stands, a Football Federation spokesman said yesterday.

The federation's competition committee meet today to study the referee's report of Sunday's crowd trouble which Leo Beenhakker, the Real coach, blamed for his team's 1-0 set-back, their first league defeat of the season.

Tomas Jimenez, the referee, has sent the committee an 8cm iron bolt which hit Jorge Valdano, Real's Argentine forward, on the ear. Another Real casualty was the Spanish international midfield player Ricardo Gallego, who said he was still having trouble with his vision after being struck in the right eye by a chestnut.

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CRICKET

Hudson in court threat

Tim Hudson, the millionaire cricket supporter, is threatening to take Lancashire to court. Hudson plans to stand for election to the Old Trafford committee next year and wants a list of Lancashire's 10,000 members so that he can circulate his views. But Lancashire have refused, claiming the list is "private and confidential".

Yesterday, Hudson's solicitor, Ron Taylor, said: "We are seeking the advice of a barrister and intend taking the issue to the Chancery Court."

Hudson is ineligible to stand for the Lancashire committee until 1987 but has already launched a major campaign to oust chairman Credric Rhoades, the county's present chairman.

● **England tour preview in *The Times* tomorrow.**

SPORT IN BRIEF

Big purse pocketed

Next year's Embassy world snooker championship will have record prize money of £400,000. The winner's purse will be £80,000 — £10,000 more than the cheque picked up by this year's champion, Joe Johnson.

Johnson, who attended yesterday's draw in Bristol, faces a possible first round match against Eugene Hughes, the BCE International semi-finalist. If Steve Hendry qualifies for the Sheffield stages from April 18 to May 4, he will meet Willie Thorne, who beat him in last season's championship at the same stage.

Dates change

Hull and Castleford, finalists in the John Smith Yorkshire Cup competition at Headingley on Saturday, have put back their Stones Bitter championship matches scheduled for Sunday. Hull will now play their home fixture against Bradford Northern next Tuesday and Castleford's game at Widnes will be staged on Wednesday week.

Gilbody bout

Paris (Reuter) — Ray Gilbody, the British bantamweight champion, will meet Antoine Montero, of France, here on October 27, for the European title vacated by Ciro de Leva, of Italy. Leva was beaten in a World Boxing Association title bout against Bernardo Pinango, of Venezuela.



Lendl: earlier qualifier

Lendl first

New York (AP) — Ivan Lendl, winner of eight grand prix tournaments this season, has become the first of eight players to qualify for the $500,000 Nabisco Masters on December 3 to 9 at New York's Madison Square Garden. Lendl has accumulated 4,489 grand prix points, giving him a sizeable lead over West Germany's Boris Becker, who has 2,360.

Olympic hope

Barcelona (Reuter) — Martina Navratilova, the world No. 1, who has won just about everything that women's tennis has to offer, revealed yesterday that she has another ambition — to compete in the 1992 Olympic Games. The Czechoslovak-born American said that she would like to take part in the Olympics here if Spain's second city is awarded the 1992 summer games and professional tennis players are allowed to compete.

Decision

David Bishop, the Welsh international, will decide this week whether or not to make a direct appeal to the Welsh Rugby Union in an effort to have his 11-month suspension reduced, even though Ray Williams, the WRU secretary, announced that there would be no right of appeal when Bishop was suspended from playing until next season. Having had a possible move to Rugby League blocked by the professional code's management committee, Bishop now sees an appeal as his only way forward and has already consulted legal advisers.

Audi to rally

Bonn (Reuter) — Audi, the West German motor company, said yesterday it would return to world championship motor rallying next year, reversing its decision five months ago to pull out after a series of fatal accidents. Audi's move follows a meeting of FISA, the sport's governing body, in Paris at the weekend. FISA decided to reduce rally cars' maximum horse power and to recommend tighter safety measures for spectators at all rallies.

Gallagher post

Paul Gallagher, the Scottish boys' stroke-play golf champion in 1974, is the new Scottish regional executive for the PGA. Gallagher, aged 29, will take over on November 1 from Sandy Jones, who has been promoted to PGA regional director